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NANKING ALLIES.

WIN ALL ALONG THE LINE.

PEKING AT DISADVANTAGE.

HANKOW ALSO IN DANGER.

KUOMINCHUN'S RAPID ADVANCE.

Both Peking and Hankow are at a disadvantage and the fortunes of war are with the Nanking Nationalist confederation.

With the "Christian General's" Kuominchun taking its part—in a sweep eastward instead of northward with Peking as the objective—Nationalist or pro-Nationalist armies are now believed to be hemming the Northerners in.

Even in the "minor war" between the Northerners and their neighbours of Shansi, to-day's news is distinctly unfavourable to Peking. A vernacular report makes things worse by saying that the few thousand Shansi rovers who have held Chochow (only 40 miles from Peking) against all-comers intend to make a sally on the Northern capital.

With General Tang Seng-chi, of Hankow, offering little or no systematic resistance, the Nanking armies are again pushing westward, up the Yangtsze River, to clear him out. According to positions mentioned by Reuter, the Nanking expedition has another 100 miles to go to reach Hankow.

RACE ON THE CAPITAL?

Impressions gained by reading the despatches from all sources are that the Northerners of the Fengtien federation are frantically trying to hold back the "Christian General."

Once the "Christian General" captures Hsuchowfu, there may be another race on Penkig (writes the "China Mail" political correspondent) which some months ago, was discounted by bickerings which resulted in the downfall of Chiang Kai-shek.

Tang Seng-chi, of Hankow, is not creating the diversion that Peking had hoped for. Accordingly, Nanking, whilst keeping an eye on Hankow, can afford to send large numbers of troops across the Lower Yangtsze, up the Tientsin-Pukow Railway and the Grand Canal, to press the Northerners back whilst the latter are engaged in a war in another direction with the Kuominchun.

Conversion of the War.

Thanks to their master strategist, General Lu Chung-lin, the Kuominchun has converted a war of positions into a war of movements. The Shantung (Northern) force, which invaded Honan province, was enticed a long distance away from its base and then almost enveloped. After a feint on one flank, the Kuominchun launched a frontal attack and regained in a week what they had lost in a month.

Going forward on the flush of success (writes Colonel Lau Chee-kwong, late of the Cantonese Army), the Kuominchun is moving in purposeful strides and seriously threatening the Northerners.

HAS HE FLED?

Sun Chuan-fang Said to Have Left Hsuchowfu.

Shanghai, Yesterday.

The Nationalist Kuo Min News Agency claims that the Kuominchun (which is the army under Marshal Feng Yu-hsiang, best known as the "Christian General") has advanced from Honan province eastwards into the north of Kiangsu province, approaching the vicinity of Hsuchowfu; and that Marshal Sun Chuan-fang (of the Northerner Army) has fled by boat to Dairen in Manchuria.

Another Loan Rumour.

The Kuo Min also says that the Shansi army (operating on the northern sector of the war with the Fengtien Party) captured Sihoying on November 5, and that the vanguards of this Shansi army regained Hsuanhwa, on the Peking-Suiyuan Railway, inside Chihli province.

Another report by the news agency is that the Nationalist Government has protested against the alleged Belgian loan of Gold $5,000,000 to Marshal Chang Tso-lin of Peking, the loan being conditional on the extension for five years of the Chinese-Belgian Commercial Treaty.—Reuter.

The Consequences.

[Note: Hsuchowfu is the junction of the Tientsin-Pukow and Lung-Hai Railways. To the south of Hsuchowfu, Marshal Sun [illegible] the province.—Reuter.

Nanking Nationalists for months. The Kuominchun has marched eastwards along the Lung-Hai Railway and their reaching Hsuchowfu will be fatal for the northern army under Sun Chuan-fang, as it would be subject to a rear attack by the Kuominchun, cut off from retreat northwards to Peking, and hemmed in on two sides. A pro-Northern army from Shantung is opposing the Kuominchun along the Lung-Hai Railway.]

HANKOW HEMMED IN.

Gen. Tang Seng-chi in Precarious Position.

Shanghai, Yesterday.

News from the Middle Yangtsze is most meagre but it tends to suggest that the position of General Tang Seng-chi (who is commander-in-chief of the Wu-Han armies) is very precarious, as dissension has broken out between Ho Chien's 35th and Liu Hsing's 36th armies (both of which belong to the Wu-Han group), the result of which is that the Wu-Han troops have evacuated Wusueh and are falling back upon Hwangchow (up-river) while the possibility of dissensions may cause internecine fighting.

Meanwhile, strong detachments of the 3rd and 6th Nanking armies are advancing from Kiukiang through Wuning and Yining threatening the Wuchang-Changsha Railway, along which General Tang Seng-chi can retire southwards into Hunan if he is defeated.

Enemy from the West.

It is rumoured that the Nanking leaders have promised Hunan to General Cheng Chien and Hupeh to General Li Tsung-jen if the campaign against General Tang Seng-chi is brought to a successful termination.

On Nov. 3, the 2nd Army (which is helping Nanking against Tang Seng-chi), advanced overland from Ichang (370 miles above Hankow) eastwards, occupying Yochow (130 miles south-west of Hankow), and thereby cutting General Tang Seng-chi's line of communications with Changsha, in Hunan province.—Reuter.

NO RECOGNITION.

Governments And Generals In China.

London, Yesterday.

Speaking at the Lord Mayor's banquet, Mr. S. Baldwin, the Prime Minister, regretted the lack of improvement in China—a situation due to the multiplicity of conflicting Governments and Generals, whom it was contrary to our policy of non-interference to recognise.

Mr. Baldwin declared that Great Britain was able to recognise none of the contending factions as the paramount Government in China, "but we shall abide by the principles laid down in our memorandum of December, 1926."—Reuter.

CANTON DAY BY DAY.

Ascendancy of Li Chai-sum.

KWANGSI'S SUPPORT.

Will The Expedition Against Tang Eventuate?

Each day brings further evidence of the ascendancy of General Li Chai-sum in the present administration in Canton.

When the "Ironside" army returned from Hankow, he allowed them a good deal of scope.

When Mr. Wang Ching-wei and other Leftist politicians returned to Canton from Hankow, General Li took the line of least resistance and allowed the politicians to bring about a sharp change in the policy of the provincial Government toward other Nationalist centres.

During the last two days, the influence of General Li has become again apparent.

Figure in Background.

More publicity is given to the projected expedition against General Tang Seng-chi in Hunan, and less is being heard about the Nationalist Convention which Mr. Wang Ching-wei is sponsoring.

Mr. Wang may either have made a drastic change in policy (in accordance with local conditions) or he may have reconciled himself to bide his time.

The figure in the background of General Li's power is General Wong Shiu-hung, of Kwangsi, who is in close touch with two of the leading Generals of the Nanking Government.

Bent on War.

It is no secret that General Wong brought his troop back to Canton from Swatow and other districts just when a crisis seemed impending and the day was saved for his colleague, General Li.

General Wong is still thinking of war against General Tang Seng-chi of Hankow. Some of his troops have come down the west River and entrained for Shiukwan, in the north of Kwangtung, the base of operations Hunan.

Movements of General Li's detachments are also reported, all pointing to activity which may culminate in an invasion of Hunan by Cantonese troops, and Canton being embroiled in hostilities again.

Railway Lines Removed.

A passenger train and a troop train escaped being derailed on Tuesday, on the Canton-Hankow Railway (Kwangtung section).

Some of the rails had been removed just before the two trains approached the spot, but the damage was noticed by the driver of the passenger train, who pulled up in time.

The official report lays the blame on "outlaws," but it is thought that the movements of the troop train were more than a coincidence, especially as troops are continually being sent up the railway to the terminus at Shiukwan.

Although busy with warlike preparations, the Canton Government can still spare the 3rd brigade of the 18th division for anti-bandit work. This unit is going from the coast beyond Bias Bay, back to Canton, and then to the south-west of Kwangtung (around Pakhoi) where bandits have risen.

Further reports have reached Canton about the conditions in Hainan Island. According to the petitions for help, "deplorable" is the only fitting description. It is alleged that except for a radius of seven miles around the capital of the island, no road is safe. In some villages, local administrations have been set up in "the name of the workers and the farmers."

A report is current in Hong Kong that two small coasting vessels, both under the Chinese flag, were detained at Hoihow, the port of Hainan Island, by the rebels. One of the ships has escaped.

The Leftists.

Professor Kou Meng-yu, who has been prominent in the Leftist Party at Hankow, is expected back at Hankow, rallying to the call of Mr. Wang Ching-wei. Professor Kou was one of the Canton official delegates at the conference with Hong Kong officials to negotiate settlement of the boycott.

Mr. Kam Nai-kwong, another Leftist, has postponed his assumption of duties as Mayor of Canton. Another well know Leftist in Canton is Mr. Chen Kung-po. He was appointed to the boycott conference but was sent to Hankow before it met and was replaced by Professor Kou. At Hankow, Mr. Chen Kung-po was the first Nationalist Commissioner for Foreign Affairs.

General Wong Ki-cheung, the second-in-command of the Ironsides, is quoted as having delivered speeches which, on the face of things, are not calculated to improve relations between his army and General Li Chai-sum, who is head of the Canton Government.

ROYALTY IN DANGER.

Fire Starts In Night Nursery.

LADY ALLENDALE'S DASH.

Princess Mary Saves People Form Injury.

Rugby, Yesterday.

Princess Mary and her husband, Viscount Lascelles, had an exciting escape early to-day from an outbreak of fire at Bretton Hill, near Barnsley, the residence of Lord Allendale. They had to rush from their bedrooms wearing only their night clothes.

The fire was found to have started in the night nursery, where the three children of Lord and Lady Allendale and nurse were sleeping.

Lady Allendale herself, dashing past the blazing day nursery, was in time to rouse the children and nurse, who were taken to safety.

Princess Mary's two children were also in the house, but were apparently not in the danger zone.

The Princess was instrumental in saving other persons from serious injury, if not death. Her Royal Highness, with other guests, who had had to leave their bedrooms, had taken temporary refuge in the library. She expressed the opinion that the ceiling of the library, which was below the day nursery threatened to fall in, and she suggested that all should leave the room and told the servants who were using the fire extinguishers to come away.

Lord Allendale and his guests set to work to fight the flames pending the arrival of the Fire Brigade.

The fire was eventually localised to the day nursery and library, but much damage was done by fire, smoke, and water to valuable books, pictures, and furniture.

Telegrams were sent to the King and Queen informing their Majesties of their daughter's safety.—British Wireless Service.

PRINCESS MARY & HER TWO SONS.

SEASONABLE.

Fine Weather Still In Forecast.

The weather report issued by the Royal Observatory this forenoon stated:—

The anticyclone is central near Shanghai.

Moderate monsoon may be expected over the China Sea.

Forecast:—N.E. winds, moderate; fine.

ENCHANTING SCENES.

The Lord Mayor's Banquet.

MR. BALDWIN'S SPEECH.

Benevolent Changes Noted In Europe.

London, Yesterday.

Traditionally enchanting scenes and pomp were witnessed at the Guildhall, the Lord Mayor's banquet being attended by leaders in all walks of public activity.

Mr. S. Baldwin, the Prime Minister, who was the principal speaker, noted the profound beneficient change in European relationships in past years. He said that when the Soviets were prepared to observe the ordinary decencies of international intercourse they would find Great Britain ready to meet them in the spirit of liberality and goodwill.

As regard Egypt, Mr. Baldwin declared that both parties had reason to be satisfied with the recent British-Egyptian negotiations.

As regards, India, Mr. Baldwin defended the policy of non-inclusion not only of Indians but of anyone connected with Indian Government or commerce on the Statutory Commission, their sole desire being to give real instructed opinion, the Indians best chance of taking an effective constructive part and devising a solution.

Labour and Industry.

He concluded by referring to the slight improvement in important industries during the past few months and the likelihood of increased activity in the near future. Finally, he commended the recent exhortation of Mr. Philip Snowden to Labour to help to make the present industrial system efficient and highly productive, conditionally on Labour sharing in the improvement.—Reuter.

East versus West.

London, Later.

A large part of Mr. Baldwin's speech was devoted to the Indian Commission's enquiry "into a problem vital not only to India and to the Empire, but to civilisation." He appealed to all concerned to abandon suspicions, jealousies, and strife between East and West and approach problem with a common determination to build on the best and surest foundations.—Reuter.

AIR SERVICE.

FROM FRANCE TO SOUTH AMERICA.

A GOVERNMENT SUBSIDY.

Paris, Yesterday.

The Chamber's Finance Committee has agreed to the allocation of a subsidy of 120,000,000 francs for 1928 to the Latocoere Company for the purpose of establishing an air service from France to South America.—Reuter.

COMMUNISTS JAILED.

Wild Scenes at Close of Trial.

BOLSHEVISM CHEERED.

Denial Of Confessions Under Torture.

Budapest, Yesterday.

Most of the accused Communists charged with speaking Bolshevist propaganda were found guilty.

Zoltan and Szanto were sentenced to eight years and a half and Vagi to four years and a half imprisonment, each with 10 years' loss of their political rights.

Two others were sentenced to four years; one to three years and a half; and 30 others from eight months to two years and a half.

Ten have acquitted.

Wild scenes were enacted during the reading of the sentences. The prisoners cheered Bolshevism, interrupting the judge.

In the course of the trial the Chief of Police denied that the prisoners' confessions had been extorted under torture.—Reuter.

[Reuter cabled on October 17 the trial has opened of two Communists and former members of the People's Commissary, named Zolton Szanto and Eugene Landrer, and the leader of the extreme left wing of labour, named Vagi, with 55 associates. They are charged with spreading Bolshevists revolutionary propaganda under orders from the Moscow International.]

KOWLOON BUSES.

EIGHT LEYLAND CHASSIS ARRIVE.

REPLACING SMALLER TYPE.

Kowloon residents will be interested to hear of the arrival in the Colony of the chassis of eight more Leyland motor buses for the Kowloon Motor Bus Company.

These larger buses have proved very well suited to the needs of the peninsula and it is only a question of time before they will entirely replace the smaller make of car, criticisms of which were recently passed by a local judge in respect of alleged "top-heaviness."

The small buses are being withdrawn in the ratio of three to every large bus put on the run. It is anticipated that two more of the bigger type will be put on the run by the Kowloon Motor Bus Company this month. The bodies of the cars have still to arrive from Calcutta and are expected shortly.

Two other Leylands, in addition to the eight which have arrived, are expected shortly, also one Morris and one Vulcan chassis.

OUR TROOPS IN CHINA.

Estimate Of The Official Expenditure.

London, Yesterday.

In reply to questions in the House of Commons Captain King said that the official expenditure from Army funds on the troops sent to China to September 30 was estimated at £2,900,000, including expenditure incurred prior to March 31.—Reuter.

PRECIOUS STONES.

CONTROVERSY ENDS IN SOUTH AFRICA.

ADOPTION OF BILL.

Capetown, Yesterday.

The joint sitting of the Senate and Assembly adopted the Precious Stones Bill.

[Parliament has adjourned to January 25.]

THEFT FROM A CHAPEL.

The Mother Superioress of the Italian Convent, in St. Francis Yard, Wanchai, has reported to the Police that some time between 2 and 4 p.m. yesterday, someone broke into the Convent chapel and stole two carpets and two brass candlesticks worth $57.

FALL FROM A ROOF.

Suffering from serious injuries received through accidentally falling from the roof of No. 279 Portland Street, Yaumati, a 16-year-old Chinese girl was yesterday removed to the Kwong Wah Hospital, where she is now in a critical condition.

CANTON STRIKERS.

Conference With the Government.

FINANCIAL STRINGENCY.

Funds Now Required For Other Purposes.

More than 160 labour organisations of Canton were represented at a conference with the Government on Tuesday when an official announcement was made that the "Canton-Hong Kong Strike Association" was to be wound up shortly.

Many reports have been current that the strike movement which originated in 1925 and ceased practically to function in October, 1926, was to be brought to a conclusion by the Canton Government.

Among the spokesmen for the Canton Government was Mr. Tse Ying-bak, the Commissioner for Labour and Agriculture.

Invitations were issued to the Strike Association and all Unions which have had connection with the Strike.

Assurance to Labour.

Praise was given to the strikers by the speakers. The representatives of the strikers were officially informed that the Government had decided to end the strike because of financial stringency. Funds granted by the Government for the strike would be needed for other purposes.

An assurance was also given to the strikers that there was no foundation in the rumours that the Government and the Nationalist Party would not now assist the labourers any more, the purposes for which they had been encouraged having been achieved. The Government, it was announced, would still protect the labourers and work for the improvement of their lot.

Bonus in Bonds & Cash.

Of outstanding interest is the fact that the terms of the winding-up scheme were drawn up by the Strike Executive and submitted for the approval of the Government and Nationalist Party organisations.

The gist of such a settlement was given in the "China Mail" on November 3:—

Under this scheme, all strikers whose names remain on the roll, and the institutions maintained for their benefit, will be dealt with.

Definite dates are mentioned after which, according to the scheme, the strikers, of whom there are 30,000 nominally on the register, will receive no aid.

Part of the Government's demobilisation bonus of $100 will be paid in 8 per cent. Treasury Bonds, as laid down in a schedule. Payment will be under Government supervision.

The bonus will be paid from November 10 to 25, and each striker will also receive $6.60 for a month's food.

Billets to Be Vacated.

On November 26, the free meals provided by the authorities will cease. The next day, all property occupied by strikers as billets will be restored to owners through the medium of the Police. The day after, the strikers are to march away to a farewell by the public.

As from November 20, the Government is to cease paying $10,000 a day to the Strike Executive. This sum has been consistently drawn to pay and feed the strikers, the proceeds coming from the Customs Surtaxes. The "Canton-Hong Kong Strike Association," as an institution, will continue to exist, and the disbandment plan provides for payment by the Government of $3,000 per month instead of $10,000 a day—for upkeep expenses.

Preferential Treatment.

Travelling expenses will also be issued to the strikers. Machinery is to be set in operation whereby members of the Strike Association can get preferential treatment from employers of labour, but each man must join the labour Union for the trade he enters.

Strikers who became hawkers in Canton will retain their special licences for a year, but they will have to come under Police supervision during that period.

TO-DAY'S DOLLAR.

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COMMERCE AND FINANCE.

COTTON MARKET.

DECLINE IN NEW YORK PRICES.

New York, Yesterday.

Prices on the Cotton Exchange broke from $4 to $6 a bale after the publication of the estimate of the Department of Agriculture, showing an increase of 160,000 bales compared with the October forecast.

The New Orleans cotton market is also weak, prices declining similarly.—Reuter's American Service.

Steady at Close.

New York, Yesterday.

The heavy selling is attributed to the October increase, which might foreshadow a further increase in the current month.

Sharp rallies followed, the market closing steady with a net decline of 83 to 99 points.—Reuter's American Service.

INCOMES IN U.S.A.

AN AMERICAN ON AMERICAN PROPERTY.

During the last 25 years the income of the United States has nearly doubled, while its population, though largely increased, has grown in a lesser ratio. The significance of these changes lies not so much in the increase in the nation's production of wealth as a whole, as in the surplus purchasing power that has sprung from the increased output of the individual worker. A large family may produce in the aggregate much more wealth than a small one, but if the large family accumulate no surplus, a small family with greater individual productivity and with the same proportionate cost of living may grow rich, while the large one remains poor. A vital factor in the development of the twentieth century, and one which has been especially emphasised in the United States since 1914, is the multiplication of individual effort rather than the effort of multiplied individuals. The United States, during the past few years, has been experiencing the unprecedented economic condition of continuously falling commodity prices, high wages, and continued prosperity. Any intelligent attempt to explain this anomaly must recognise certain elementary economic principles. The true answer to this economic paradox of combined high wages and lowering prices of goods, and the underlying primary cause of the late industrial progress of the United States, lies in the increased and unrivalled output of the individual American workman, and the large accumulation of wealth that has resulted from it.

The extent of this wealth is indicated by figures recently compiled, by the National Industrial Conference Board, from Washington statistics. These show that the value of the yearly product of the average workman in all the manufacturing industry of the United States rose from a per capita production value of 3,214 dols. in 1904 to 4,682 dols. in 1925, as measured by the common purchasing power of the 1914 dollar. This represents an increase of 45.7 per cent. in the manufacturing output of the average individual workman, which, if applied to the total volume of manufactured product, signifies that the increase of wealth in 1925, due solely to the increase in per capita production, amounted to 12,304,000,000 dols. more than it would have been had the output of the average worker been no greater than it was in 1904; in other words, one third of all the wealth that was produced that year from the nation's manufacturing industry was directly due to the increased productivity of the average individual workman.

How profound an influence such vast sums have on the whole economic structure of the country is, perhaps, better visualised when it is realised that twelve and three-tenths billions of dollars, on the basis of present individual production, is equivalent to the output of 2,628,000 men—a number equal to nearly one-third of the entire working force of the United States engaged in the manufacturing industry. That the productive efforts of such a vast army of workers can be laid aside by machinery and management, and rendered available for other additional work without an average increase in the country's non-employment is a striking commentary on the stimulating and absorbing effect of increased individual production. The average output of the individual workman in the United States is to-day greater than ever before, and is much larger than that of any other nation. Canada comes next to the United States in individual productivity, and America finds its antithesis in the archaic industrialism of China.

An explanation of the increased efficiency attained by the manufacturing industry of the United States is found in the development of its iron and steel production. Of all basic industries the manufacture of iron and steel ranks first in fundamental importance, and second in the amount of wages paid.—Theodore W. Robinson in Engineering.

$20,000,000.

LOAN FOR NORDDEUTSCHE LLOYD.

Berlin, Yesterday.

The Norddeutsche Lloyd has concluded an agreement with an American banking group composed of Kuhn, Loeb and Co. and the Guaranty Trust Company for a 20-year loan of $20,000,000 at 6 per cent. guaranteed by the Guaranty Trust Company and the Darmstaeuter Und National Bank.—Reuter.

Offered at 94.

New York, Yesterday.

The Norddeutsche Lloyd loan is offering to-day by a syndicate headed by Kuhn, Loeb & Co. at 94.—Reuter's American Service.

INDIAN PRODUCE.

MARQUESS OF LINLITHGOW'S STATEMENT.

Bombay, Oct. 21.

An interesting reply to the criticism that the Agricultural Commission is attaching too much importance to the overseas markets for Indian produce was made by the Marques of Linlithgow, Chairman of the Commission, who, with some of the members, arrived by to-day's mail steamer.

"The prophets had better be careful, or they may appear a little foolish when in six months or so, we present our report," observed the Marquess.

"Speaking for myself, I may say that I am fully aware of the overwhelming importance to the cultivator of the Indian home market, but that does not mean that I hold external markets to be of no significance. Indeed, as regards certain crops, the markets overseas attract quite a considerable proportion of the total production of India, while in the case of other crops, though the proportion exported is small that part does, in fact, represent a very important element in the price-fixing complex.

Prosperous Countryside.

"I want to see Indians paying the closest attention both to the home market and their marketing opportunities overseas. That is the spirit in which to do business and that is the policy likely to lead soonest to the ideal which all good Indians should keep before their eyes—that of a smiling, prosperous countryside, resting economically on every available market, including that created by the demand for cultivators in consequence of the expanding industrial and manufacturing life; field and factory working hand in hand to the great gain of all concerned."

The Commission immediately after landing left for Karachi, where the members will assemble on October 24.

After visiting Calcutta Rangoon, Mandalay and other places the the end of November and a week later will proceed to Mahabaleshwar to draft the report.

ALLEGED FRAUDS.

CHARGES AGAINST MARCONI DIRECTORS.

London, Tuesday.

In the Chancery Court counsel read an affidavit by Signor Marconi denying the opposition's allegations.—Reuter.

[Reuter wired yesterday: Affidavits by Marconi shareholders, which are alleged to amount to charges of fraud against the Directors, were read in the Chancery Division at the hearing of Marconi's Wireless Telegraph Company's petition to write down the capital from £4,000,000 to £2,375,000 involving a reduction in the Ordinary shares from £1 to 10/-. The spokesman of the opposition said that the scheme was aimed to "enable the Directors, by a subsequent appreciation of the now artificially depreciated values, to show profits in order to justify the enormous sums they were receiving as remuneration for their services." The Company's Counsel, who mentioned that Signor Marconi was too ill to attend at present, said that this was a charge of fraud of the grossest description. The hearing was adjourned.]

WAR OVER RUBBER.

New York, Nov. 2.

Thomas A. Edison, the inventor, predicts war, in an interview in the Popular Science Monthly dealing with research on rubber production in co-operation with Henry Ford and Harvey Firestone. The inventor's objective is the discovery of a plant with which to produce rubber quickly in the United States in the event of war with Europe.

"We may run along a good many years without war," he said, "but sooner or later the nations in Europe will combine against us. The thing they will do will be to cut off our rubber supply."—Associated Press.

SHANGHAI SHARES.

FURTHER SHARP ADVANCES IN RUBBERS.

Shanghai, Nov. 5.

The share market yesterday recorded further advances in quotations but very little business in Industrials was reported.

Langkats single are wanted at Tls. 8.80 Ewo Mills, preference, now have buyers at Tls. 98.50, Shanghai Docks remain in request being quoted with buyers at Tls. 89 and sellers holding off for something better. Shanghai Lands after opening at Tls. 117.50 came to business at Tls. 118.50.

Many Rubber shares show advances and a fair business was done. Anglo-Javas passed at Tls. 8.65 cash and Tls. 8.70 for December, Chemors went at Tls. 2.65, Java Consolidated at Tls. 2.25, Kedahs at Tls. 2.80, Kroewocks at Tls. 2.40, Senawangs at Tls. 2.55, Tanah Merahs at Tls. 1.40, Tls. 1.37½, cash and Tls. 1.42½ and Tls. 1.45 December, Tebongs at Tls. 2.97½ cash and Tls. 2.95 December, and Ziangbes at Tls. 7.75 cash.

Further business in Debentures includes S. M. C. 7 per cent. of 1922 at Tls. 93½, C. M. F. 8 per cent. of 1921 at Tls. 93½, and Shanghai Land 6 per cent. of 1922, 1925, 1926, at Tls. 83.

OVERSEAS TRADE.

NEW PARLIAMENTARY SECRETARY.

London, Yesterday.

Captain D. H. Hacking, Conservative M.P., for Chorley, has been appointed Parliamentary Secretary to the Department of Overseas Trade in succession to Mr. A. M. Samuel.—Reuter.

MUKDEN BANK OVERDRAFTS.

Mukden, Oct. 26.

Under date of the 18th of this month, the Government Bank of Mukden notified customers that overdrafts would no more be allowed to them. So far the Bank has made overdrafts to the total amount of $83,600,000. As a result of this measure, the value of the Bank note has risen.—"Nippon Dempo."

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HONG KONG TIDE.

The tide-table given below has been obtained by aid of the Tide-predicting Machine, which includes 40 components for the better prediction of tides, from the result of the analysis of the tidal observations, taken at the Kaulung tidal observatory under the direction of Dr. Doberck during the years 1887, 1888, & 1889.

The times and heights are given for Kaulung; but they may be used for the Victoria Naval-yard and Aberdeen, the differences being very small.

The times of high and low-water must not be considered to coincide with the times of slack-water and change of current, the two phenomena being quite distinct.

Nov. 10 to 16, 1927.

Date October	High Water Standard Times	Ht.	Lower Water Standard Times	Ht.
Thurs 10	m 10 28	6.1	m 3 51	1.3
	9 37a	8.1	3 28 a	3.9
Fri. 11	m 11 23	5 7	m 4 39	1 0
	10 12a	8.2	2 58 a	3.0
Sat. 12	0 20a	5.4	m 0 29	1.0
	10 4?a	8.1	4 28 a	3.8
Sun. 13	1 44a	4.6	m 6 23	1.3
	11 2?a	7 8	4 ?2 a	4.3
Mon. 14	3 20a	4.7	m 7 23	1 5
			5 8 a	4 5
Tues. 15	m 0 6 No inferior	7.4 H.W	m 8 0 No inferior	1.6 L.W
Wed. 16	m 0 52 No inferior	6.9 H.W.	m 9 ?4 No inferior	2.0 L.W

HONG KONG MARKET PRODUCE.

APPROXIMATE RETAIL PRICES.

Butcher Meat.

			Nov. 4, 1927. Cts.	June, 1918. Cts.	June, 1914. Cts.
Beef Sirloin	牛尾龍	lb.	28	24	12
" Prime Cut		"	28	23	12
" Corned	咸牛肉	"	—	23	12
" Roast	燒肉牛	"	28	24	22
" Breast	牛腩	"	24	20	18
" Soup	湯肉	"	26	20	18
" Steak	牛扒	"	28	24	22
" Steak Sirloin	牛柳	"	40	30	35
" Sausages	牛腸	"	40	26	20
Bullock's Brains	牛腦	per set	15	10	12
" Tongue, fresh	牛脷	each	65	50	60
" Tongue, corned	咸牛脷	"	—	60	—
" Head	牛頭	"	$1.20	—	$1.20
" Heart	牛心	lb.	24	18	14
" Hump, Salt	牛膊	"	34	20	18
" Feet	牛腳	each	8	10	12
" Kidneys	牛腰	"	15	16	12
" Tail	牛尾	"	28	20	22
" Liver	牛肝	lb.	24	18	14
" Tripe	牛肚	"	7	6	7
Calves' Head & Feet	牛仔頭腳	set	$1.20	$1.00	$1.00
Mutton Chop	羊扒骨	lb.	48	26	—
" Leg	羊髀	"	48	26	—
" Shoulder	羊手	"	46	24	—
" Saddle	肉	"	46	—	—
Pig's Chitlings	豬腸	"	35	—	27
" Brains	豬腦	Per set	3	—	12
" Feet	豬腳	lb.	18	15	—
" Fry	豬什	"	28	15	18
" Head	豬頭	"	16	20	—
" Heart	豬心	each	15	10	10
" Kidneys	豬腰	"	15	10	8
" Liver	豬肝	lb.	52	30	24
Pork Chop	豬扒骨	"	36	25	23
" Leg	豬髀	"	38	—	—
" Loin	豬[illegible]	"	42	60	70
" Fat or Lard	豬油	"	24	21	—
Sheep's Head & Feet	羊頭腳	per set	85	60	70
" Heart	羊心	each	12	8	7
" Kidneys	羊腰	"	15	12	10
" Liver	羊肝	"	46	26	25
Sucking Pigs, to order	乳豬	lb.	20	25	22
Suet, Beef	鮮牛油	"	30	20	18
" Mutton	鮮羊油	"	46	26	26
Veal	牛仔肉	"	36	20	19
" Sausages	牛仔腸	"	40	20	20
" " No. 1		"	32	—	—

Fish.

			Nov. 4, 1927. Cts.	June, 1918. Cts.	June, 1914. Cts.
Barbel	鯪魚	lb.	45	10	24
Bream	鳊魚	"	22	20	16
Canton Fresh Water Fish	塘魚 水 省城淡 海鮮	"	24	18	16
Carp	鯉魚	"	32	16	27
Catfish	鯰魚	"	36	12	9
Codfish	鱈魚	"	38	20	25
Crabs	蟹	"	46	23	26
Cuttle Fish	墨魚	"	25	16	2
Dab		"	40	23	16
Dace	黃尾鰡	"	36	10	9
Dog Fish	鐵肚沙	"	10	10	8
Eels, Conger	海鱔	"	38	16	—
" Fresh Water	淡水鱔	"	24	10	18
" Yellow	黃鱔	"	25	26	30
Frogs	田雞	"	90	32	25
Garoupa	石斑	"	80	40	30
Gudgeon	白	"	32	18	15
Herrings	鰣白	"	35	22	18
Halibut	將軍甲	"	28	18	23
Labrus	黃花	"	30	22	18
Loach	[illegible]	"	68	22	24
Lobsters	龍蝦	"	50	32	21
Mackerel	馬鮫魚	"	30	20	26
Monk Fish	[illegible]	"	40	32	28
Mullet	鯔魚	"	24	18	2
Oysters	鮮蠔	"	32	16	22
Parrot Fish	鸚公魚	"	34	14	9
Perch	鱸魚	"	35	20	15
Pike	花斑芒	"	20	16	9
Plaice	[illegible]	"	45	28	14
Pomfret, Black	黑鯧	"	50	26	29
Pomfret, White	白鯧	"	58	36	30
Prawns	明蝦	"	90	36	45
Ray	[illegible]	"	12	10	14
Rock Fish	石獅公	"	25	18	18
Roach	[illegible]	"	30	22	16
Salmon	[illegible]	"	70	36	30
Shark	沙魚	"	11	8	10
Skate	[illegible]	"	12	10	10
Shrimps	蝦	"	50	26	35
Snapper	立魚	"	66	32	30
Soles	撻沙魚	"	52	28	28
Tench	[illegible]	"	26	22	18
Turbot	左口魚	"	30	18	12
Turtles, small, fr. water	[illegible]	"	1.15	40	—

Poultry.

			Nov. 4, 1927. Cts.	June, 1918. Cts.	June, 1914. Cts.
Chicken	雞	lb.	48	30	31
Capons, Small	騸雞	"	50	28	30
Capons, Large	肥騸雞	"	55	28	30
Duck	鴨	"	38	22	21
Doves	斑鳩	each	20	22	21
Eggs, Hen (cooking)	雞蛋	per doz.	30	18	—
Eggs, Hen (fresh)	新鮮雞蛋	"	36	25	20
Fowls, Canton	本地雞	lb.	60	36	24
Fowls, Hainan	海南雞	"	40	36	24
Geese	鵝	"	45	24	24
Pigeons, Canton	白鴿	each	35	30	—
" Hoihow	海口鴿	"	28	28	—
Turkeys, Cock	火雞公	lb.	68	—	—
Turkeys, Hen	火雞乸	"	50	51	45
Snipe	沙追	each	28	—	—
Pheasant	山雞	pair	$2.00	—	—
Quail	鵪鶉	each	20	—	2
Partridges	鷓鴣	"	75	—	—

Fruits.

			Nov. 4, 1927. Cts.	June, 1918. Cts.	June, 1914. Cts.
Almonds	杏仁	lb.	60	35	—
Apples (California)	金山蘋果	"	22	24	—
Bananas (bride's)	新山香蕉	"	6	4	—
Carambola	楊桃	"	16	12	—
Cocoanuts	椰子	each	12	10	10
Lemons, China	檸檬	lb.	12	7	0
Lemons (America)	金山檸檬	each	10	8	0
Lichees, Dried	荔枝干	lb.	40	25	30
Oranges (Canton)	新會甜橙	"	10	—	—
Oranges	橙	"	—	—	15
Pears (Canton)	沙梨	"	14	—	—
Peanuts	花生	"	14	10	12
Persimmons, Large	紅柿	"	12	12	—
Plantain	大蕉	"	4	3	—
Pumelo, Siam	暹羅柚	each	15	12	6
Walnuts	合桃	lb.	22	—	16
Grapes	葡提子	"	60	—	—

Vegetables, &c.

			Nov. 4, 1927. Cts.	June, 1918. Cts.	June, 1914. Cts.
Artichokes	雞芝竹	each	12	—	8
Beans, Sprout	芽菜	lb.	5	—	7
" Long	豆角	"	14	8	—
Beet Root	紅菜頭	each	2	8	8
Bitter Squash	苦瓜	lb.	10	—	—
Brinjals, Green	青瓜	"	10	5	9
" Red	紅瓜	"	8	5	8
Cabbage, Chinese	芥菜	"	20	—	—
" (Shanghai)	紹菜	"	20	12	—
Cane Shoots, bunch	[illegible]	"	4	—	—
Cauliflower (Large)		each	—	—	—
" (Medium)	大椰菜花	"	—	—	—
" (Small)	中椰花	"	—	—	—
Carrots	細椰菜花	"	—	6	6
Celery, Chinese	金筍	lb.	10	6	6
Chillies, Dried	唐芹	"	15	10	6
" Red	辣椒干	"	25	25	5
" Green	紅辣椒	"	15	10	16
Curry Stuff, English	青花椒	"	10	8	12
Cucumbers	架喱材料	"	8	8	—
Garlic	青瓜	"	8	2	—
Ginger, Young	蒜頭	"	10	6	6
	子薑	"	8	7	—
" Old	老薑	"	6	10	—
Horseradish, Shanghai		"	40	8	4
Indian Corn	粟米	"	8	45	—
Lettuce	生菜	"	7	1	—
Water Chestnuts	馬蹄	"	10	—	8
" Mandarin	桂林馬蹄	"	14	—	8
Mushrooms, Fresh	鮮草菇	"	—	—	3
Okroes		"	16	1	10
Onions, Bombay	洋蔥頭	"	8	8	3
" Green	生蔥	"	6	4	6
" Shanghai	上海蔥頭	"	6	6	—
Parsley	芹菜	"	70	60	8
Potato, Sweet	番薯	"	5	3	—
" Japanese	日本薯仔	"	5	8	—
" American	金山薯仔	"	7	3	—
Pumpkin	冬瓜	"	5	4	4
Radish	紅蘿蔔仔	"	5	—	—
Rhubarb (Fresh)	大黃菜	"	—	—	10
Shallots	干蔥	"	12	8	—
Spinach	菠菜	"	10	4	—
Tomatoes	番茄	"	16	7	—
Taros	芋瓜	"	4	6	—
Turnips, Punti (Long)	蘿蔔	"	6	4	—
Vegetable Marrow	節瓜	"	8	4	—
Water Cress	西洋菜	"	10	15	—
Water Lily Root	[illegible]	"	8	6	—

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FANLING HUNT.

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Entries will close at noon on Saturday, November 19, 1927.
Hong Kong, 10th November, 1927.

BANK HOLIDAY.

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Hong Kong, 7th November, 1927.

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Hong Kong, 8th November, 1927.

FOOL-PROOF FLYING.

PERFECTION OF SLOTTED WINGS.

BRITISH INVENTION.

London, Oct. 21.
The "Daily Mail" announces what it describes as "a great British invention, which will make flying safer."
A strange aeroplane was flying over Cricklewood Aerodrome yesterday and people looked up and wondered. After moving at high speed, the machine seemed to come almost to a standstill in mid-air, the pilot stalled it, the tail drooped and it assumed a position which appeared to be one of dire peril.
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DOLE FLIER.

KISSES WIFE AND FORGETS QUARREL.

Los Angeles, Nov. 3.
Martin Jensen, who finished second in the recent Dole flight to Hawaii, and his wife kissed and made up to-day as a sequel to a domestic quarrel yesterday in which Mrs. Jensen hurled a coffee pot at her husband. Two policemen acted as mediators.
Mrs. Jensen recently figured in the news when she was taken to the emergency hospital suffering from an overdose of a sleeping drug. Police expressed a belief that she had tried to commit suicide, but she denied this.—Associated Press.

OTHER PLANETS.

LIVING ORGANISMS SAID TO EXIST.

Berkeley, Cal., Nov. 3.
Dr. W. W. Campbell, famous astronomer and president of the University of California recently declared that "it is unthinkable to assume that our world is the only planet that supports life."
This world, he believes, "is just an insignificant point in the universe of countless spheres."
Supporting his belief that living organisms exist on other spheres, the noted astronomer points out that oxygen and water are known to be present in other planets, through astronomical research. Where these elements are found life is possible. As to the form of living things in other worlds, Dr. Campbell would not venture a prediction.
Research to prove his point is impossible, Dr. Campbell said, under the limitations of the present-day telescope.
"Any living organism on Mars would have to be as large as the Woolworth building to be detected by the most powerful telescopes in use at present," Dr. Campbell said.—Associated Press.

CARMI THOMPSON.

PHILIPPINES OR OHIO GOVERNORSHIP.

"TREMENDOUS PUBLICITY."

Washington, Nov. 4.
If Colonel Carmi Thompson's qualifications as Governor-General of the Philippines are overlooked by President Coolidge when the hour comes to make an appointment, Thompson will still be in line for the political preferment in the state of Ohio.
In fairness to Thompson it may be said that he has not taken aggressive attitude in the matter of securing the Philippine post, and if he should be chosen it would be as the result of the deliberate and well-calculated decision of the President that he is the best man for the position.
Thompson has received tremendous personal publicity as the consequence of his visit to the Philippines, but in a conversation with the United Press has asserted that his frequent addresses concerning the Islands are inspired solely by a sincere desire to promote the welfare of the Filipinos through a better common understanding of problems.
Meanwhile, accepting at face value his disinclination to serve as Governor of the Philippines, Ohio political friends of Carmi Thompson are laying plans to secure for him the Ohio gubernatorial nomination next year. They think that he can secure the nomination over other potential candidates, chief of whom are State Attorney-General Edward C. Turner and Congressman James T. Begg.
Among Democratic candidates now looming are Governor A. C. Dahaney, also mentioned as a presidential possibility," Congressman A. V. Dohaney, and Director of Commerce Cyrus Locher.
The nomination of Governor is decided in Ohio by a State primary, and it will be interesting to observe whether Thompson's political activities concerning the Philippines will affect his political fortunes at home.
Ohio politicians have always been particularly active in Philippine political affairs, as President William McKinley, upon whom the island destinies first devolved after the Spanish-American war, was an Ohio statesman. Since then Ohio Congressmen and Senators have been prominent in Congressional insular councils. The chief of the Senate Committee on Territories and Insular affairs, Frank Wills, comes from Ohio.—Associated Press.

PALESTINE 'QUAKES.

FORECAST BY AMERICAN PROFESSOR.

Palo Alto, Cal., Nov. 3.
Palestine should prepare for further violent earthquakes, declared Dr. Bailey T. Willis, professor emeritus of geology of Stanford University upon his arrival here recently from a trip around the world.
During his journey Prof. Willis studied earthquake faults in Palestine, the Philippines, Japan, Greece and other countries and planned to assemble his data in a book for the Carnegie Institute.—Associated Press.

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SINGAPORE BASE.

DEFENCE CONTRIBUTION IN THE STRAITS.

DISCUSSION IN COUNCIL.

Mr. Tan Cheng-lock, at the meeting of the Straits Legislative Council on October 31, expressed himself as strongly opposed to the continuance of the 10 per cent. contribution to the Opium Revenue Replacement Fund. With regard to Defence Contribution, the Colony's average actual annual payment for the six years 1921-6 was about four millions, equivalent to 13 or 14 per cent. of the estimated assessable revenue for the same period. For 1927 the approved estimate of their Defence Contribution was $3,650,000, which had been revised and increased to $5,303,211, a difference of $1,653,000 odd, while for 1928 they were asked to vote $4,800,000, which was $800,000 above the average for six years previously mentioned. They had grounds for believing that these enormous additions to the contribution had been, and would further be, largely utilised to meet expenditure incurred directly or indirectly in connection with the Naval Base, which was essentially an imperial affair, whereas their contribution was specifically to defray the cost of local defence. If any such appropriation had taken place, it constituted an utterly indefensible and illegitimate act, against which the public must have felt gratified that His Excellency had set his face. A levy of 20 per cent. for defence would be a burden beyond the capacity of the Colony, and should be lightened by bringing the percentage down to between 10 per cent. and 15 per cent. If the Opium Reserve contribution were cut out, the amount, together with the million saved on the military expenditure would bring the deficit on the Budget down to five millions, which was nothing to cause great alarm, seeing that the 1928 estimates provided for public works to the value of about four and a half millions, which should really be a capital charge, and be paid either out of surplus or by loans over a number of years.

Estimate Too Large.

Mr. Everitt referred at length to the Colony's Defence Contribution. The amount estimated to be spent in 1928 for military expenditure, he said, amounted to no less that $5,200,000, of which $4,800,000 represented Defence Contribution. That was an estimate. He was quite aware that Council had got to vote the cost of the Garrison, but he suggested that this estimate was a good million too large. Tracing the origin of the Defence Contribution Mr. Everitt stated that the Defence Contribution Ordinance was passed in 1899, and Section 2 provided that a sum equivalent to 20 per cent. of the Colonial revenue should be appropriated yearly to the Imperial Government. What for? Not to defend the naval base; nothing of the sort, but as a contribution to the defence of the Colony. The Colony had to pay either 20 per cent. of the Colonial Revenue or the estimated cost of the garrison which was the less. He could not tell them what the extent of the garrison was in 1899 but in 1904 it was larger than the present garrison by one battalion of infantry. The cost of the garrison was not defined in the Ordinance but it could be gauged from Section 5 as including capital expenditure for land and buildings, cost of maintenance of military works and buildings, lodgings in lieu of barracks, and all other military charges. That was the snag.
The Ordinance came into force in 1899 and it was a matter of some interest to see that in that year the total revenue of the Colony from all sources was within a few dollars of the exact amount of the military expenditure estimated for 1928. The amount expended in that year for military expenditure was $945,000, approximately 20 per cent. of the revenue. He thoroughly understood that that did not cover the cost of the garrison. As years went on without any increase in the personnel of the garrison the revenues of the Colony increased, and the position was recently that the defence contribution amounted to 10 or 11 per cent. of the revenue.

Significance of the Naval Base.

That was the position until recently, and then for reasons of high Imperial policy the Government of Great Britain decided to establish in the Settlement of Singapore a naval base. Apart from the establishment of the naval base and the consequent necessity for defending it was there any reason whatever to believe that this garrison would have been increased except in a normal way? In face of this they were suddenly told that the estimate for defence contribution next year would be up $1,150,000, and in reply to a request for an explanation an answer had been received from the War Office to say that the increase was principally attributable to the purchase of land £80,000, new works £52,000, and new armaments £10,500, a total of £142,500 or approximately about the amount of the increase in the defence contribution for 1928. Was it not obvious that every one of those items must be in connection with the naval base and not in connection with the garrison, which had been here for a great number of years for the defence of the Colony and its coaling base. What did the present garrison want with £80,000 worth of land? What explanation could the War Office give except that they were trying to make the Colony pay for the land required for the defence of the naval base?
Possibly it might be argued that these items would come within the strict definition of the cost of the garrison in the Ordinance, as other military charges. It might be within the letter, but he suggested it could never have been the spirit. Could their predecessors on the Council, when they grudgingly passed that Ordinance in 1899, when Singapore had a garrison designed to protect its coal supplies from raids by enemy cruisers have contemplated that Singapore would become a second Gibraltar, and that we should be called upon to pay a large proportion of the cost of converting that small port into a second Gibraltar? He therefore suggested that it was the duty of Council to endeavour to nip this exaction in the bud. It was estimated that it would take another ten years to complete the naval base; was there any reason why the defences of the base should not be spread over ten years? Might they not find that not only had they patriotically given the land for the naval base but that they had also paid for the land required to defend that base in the interest of Imperial policy?

Increase Not Explained.

Mr. J. Bagnall said the Defence Contribution showed a remarkable increase and yet, when one looked at the troops stationed here, their numbers, housing and equipment, one could see nothing to account for such an increase. It would seem that the Home Government were debiting the Colony with more than they were entitled to. According to the Ordinance, the Colony should pay the estimated cost of the garrison, and if the Imperial authorities made up the estimate, they should supply all information to enable the amount to be satisfactorily checked. He trusted that no relaxation would take place in Government's efforts to obtain this detailed information, and so permit them to be satisfied that they were paying only what was due. With a view to improving the present unsatisfactory position, he was of the opinion that they should enter not more than three millions in the estimates, which sum he looked upon as about the maximum due for local defence and on this basis pay out ¼ million monthly in accordance with the Ordinance. It would be time enough to reconsider the item when the Imperial Authorities supplied them with facts to which they were entitled, and to adjust it when they were satisfied as to the correctness of the charge.

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"DAMPTO'S" VOYAGE FROM CANTON.

TROUBLE WITH UNION.

The arrival of the s.s. "Dampto" (Norwegian) in Hong Kong from Canton yesterday minus her crew was due to the action of the Chinese Seamen's Union in Canton who are rounding up all Northern seamen employed on foreign vessels for the purpose of making them join the Union.

The crew of the "Dampto" were forced to leave the ship for the Union's offices on threat of reprisals. They were obliged to pay the entrance fee of $5 each and even this was not sufficient for the Union which detained the men expecting the Captain to go to Headquarters and, presumably, pay a little extra for the "privilege" of getting his crew back.

Captain Holm, the Norwegian skipper, declined to fall in with their plans, however, and chose to leave Canton with his officers only. The Chief Engineer and 2nd officer stoked the engine-room and the Captain and Chief Officer took the bridge. They made a successful trip and were able to engage another crew in Hong Kong and leave for Chinwangtao later in he day.

The s.s. "Dampto" is a Norwegian steamer chartered by the Kilan Mining Administration, whose local agents here are Messrs. Dodwell & Co. She is on the Chinwangtao-Hong Kong-Canton un.

NOTICE TO MARINERS.

In order that the masters of the ships in the Shanghai harbour may get an approximate check of their barometers, beginning on November 7, the corrected barometric readings made at the Zikawei Observatory at 11 a.m. and 4 p.m. (local time) will be broadcast by the Koukaza Radio, after the usual weather warning sent at 5 p.m. (local time). The gravity correction will not be applied. The display of the corrected 4 p.m. barometric reading, by means of flags at the Signal Tower, will be kept on as before.—Zikawei Observatory.

The return of wharfage dues in Shanghai for the quarter ended September 30, 1927, has been received from the Chinese Maritime Customs, showing a total sum accruing to the Council of Tls. 127,019.25.

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OPIUM ON A JUNK.

JUNK MASTER REMANDED AT KOWLOON.

Intercepting a cargo boat in the harbour, a police launch conducted a search for contraband which resulted in the discovery of 2,998 taels of illicit prepared opium concealed in cases of resin. The master of the junk was taken into custody, and the drug, which was worth $60,000, was taken ashore. Yesterday the junk master was charged before Mr. W. Schofield at the Kowloon Magistracy when on the application of Mr. Leo d'Almada, Sen., a week's remand was given.

Haul on "Shing On."

Searching the s.s. "Shing On" on her arrival from her usual trip up the West River, in connection with the attempted piracy on board, the police instead of finding arms, made a seizure of 1,400 taels of prepared non-Government opium in 19 packages concealed under some deck planks near the bilge space The drug is valued at $15,000 and appears to be Kwangsi opium probably brought down from Wuchow. No arrest was made in connection noring Court with the seizure.

MARINE COURT.

FINES FOR CAUSING OBSTRUCTION.

At the Marine Court yesterday before Commdr. G. F. Hole, To Mui, mistress of a cargo junk, and Wah Ip-shing, master of a trading junk, were both charged with mooring their craft in the Southern Fairway on November 8. The former pleaded not guilty, and the latter pleaded guilty.

Defendant stated that she was under way when, to avoid collision, she was compelled to drop anchor, and was about to lift it when the Police launch arrived. This defence his Worship characterised as "rubbish," and inflicted a fine of $10 with the alternative of 10 days' imprisonment, on both defendants.

Another Charge.

Wong Sze-chun, seaman of a trading junk of San Mei, was charged with (a) being under way in the waters of the Colony without showing regulation lights and (b) with failing to take out a license for his craft. Accused pleaded guilty to both charges.

COMPENSATION FOR DAMAGED JUNK.

The mistresses of the junk which collided with the "Man Shing," a Yaumati ferry, on Tuesday morning, was, it is reported, compensated by the Ferry Company yesterday. They paid her $50 for the damage sustained by the junk.

A large number of Chinese deck passengers came to the Colony during the 24 hours ended at 9 a.m. yesterday. Eight vessels brought 2,999; of these, 2,210 were returned emigrants brought back by the s.s. "Talma," from Calcutta and Singapore.

PIRATED LAUNCH.

PRELIMINARY TRIAL OF CHINESE.

THE "WO FAT SHING" CASE.

At the Kowloon Magistracy yesterday afternoon, Mr. W. Schofield heard evidence in the case against the Chinese who was arrested on the Wing Lok wharf in connection with the recent piracy in the harbour of the steam launch "Wo Fat Shing" of the Wo Fat Shing Company, when gold bars worth $30,000 which were being conveyed to the s.s. "Prominent" bound for Saigon, were stolen and the launch eventually abandoned at North Point.

Mr. D. McCallum defended the accused, on whom it was alleged a piece of the gold was found when he was searched on the wharf on the night of the piracy which occurred soon after 6.30 p.m. on October 12.

According to a clerk of the Wo Fat Shing Company, he accompanied the consignment of gold to the "Prominent" together with four other employees of the firm, and they all sat at the bow of the launch near where the gold was stored.

Suddenly, whilst the launch was on the way to the "Prominent" which was tied up to buoy C36 near Kennedy Town, a man in a black coat appeared at the stern and told the witness that he was going to search the launch. The witness at first thought that this man was a member of the Water Police, but he soon changed his mind about the stranger when he ordered everybody into the cabin, where they were all bound and gagged by other men who acted under the instructions of the one in the black coat. They were told not to be afraid as the intruders were there after money only.

The witness added that he was in the act of drawing his pistol when he noticed a man standing at the top of the stairs with a revolver in his hand. All the crew and passengers were then searched and relieved of their personal property. The accused was the armed man who searched the people on board.

Before leaving the launch, the pirates ordered those on board not to stir until after 9 o'clock. Ten minutes afterwards, however, the launch bumped against something, and then a shout went up that she was leaking. When the witness got on deck, he saw that the launch was aground off North Point. They all then went ashore and reported to the police.

Replying to Mr. McCallum, the witness said that he had known the coxswain of the "Wo Fat Shing" for two years. He was in charge of the launch on the day of the piracy. The witness did not know if the coxswain had had anything to do with the piracy. Altogether three pirates came into the cabin where the witness and the others were confined. The accused was in custody at the Water Police Station when the witness saw him. He did not know who the other two men were.

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After corroborative evidence had been given, Mr. Schofield adjourned further hearing of the case until Tuesday next.

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AMUR MARU .....Thursday, 10th November.
RIO DE JANEIRO, SANTOS & BUENOS AIRES—Via Saigon, Singapore, Colombo, Durban & Cape Town.
SANTOS MARU .....Friday, 2nd December.
BOMBAY—Via Singapore and Colombo.
INDO MARU .....Sunday, 20th November.
SHINNOH MARU .....Wednesday, 23rd November.
CELEBES MARU .....Sunday, 4th December.
DURBAN, DELAGOA BAY, BEIRA, DAR-ES-SALAAM, ZANZIBAR AND MOMBASA—Via Singapore and Colombo.
CANADA MARU .....Thursday, 1st December.
CALCUTTA—Via Singapore, Penang and Rangoon.
TACOMA MARU .....Friday, 25th November.
VICTORIA, SEATTLE, TACOMA & VANCOUVER Via Japan Ports.
PARIS MARU (from Shanghai).....Friday, 11th November.
HAIPHONG—Via HOIHOW & PAKHOI.
MENADO MARU .....Tuesday, 22nd November, 10 a.m.
TAIKWA MARU .....Tuesday, 6th December, 10 a.m.
NEW YORK—Via Japan ports, San Francisco & Panama.
JAPAN PORTS
ALTAI MARU .....Sunday, 13th November.
INDUS MARU .....Tuesday, 17th November.
KEELUNG Via SWATOW & AMOY.
MENADO MARU .....Wednesday, 9th Nov., 10 a.m.
KAIJO MARU .....Sunday, 13th Nov., 11 a.m.
TAKAO Via SWATOW & AMOY.
DELI MARU .....Thursday, 17th Nov., 10 a.m.
TAKAO—Direct.
GANGES MARU .....Saturday, 26th November.
DAIREN Via TAKAO.
BUSHO MARU .....Thursday, 10th November.
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MANTUA	10,946	10th Dec.	Marseilles and London
KHIVA	9,135	17th Dec.	Straits & Bombay
KASHGAR	9,005	24th Dec. 1928	Marseilles, London & Antwerp
MOREA	10,953	7th Jan.	Marseilles & London
KALYAN	9,144	7th Jan.	Straits & Bombay
DEVANHA	8,155	21st Jan.	Marseilles, London & Antwerp
MALWA	10,986	4th Feb.	Marseilles & London
KHYBER	9,114	18th Feb.	Marseilles, London & Antwerp
MACEDONIA	11,120	3rd Mar.	Marseilles & London
* KHIVA	9,135	10th Mar.	Marseilles, London & Antwerp
KASHMIR	8,985	17th Mar.	Marseilles, London & Antwerp
MANTUA	10,946	31st Mar.	Marseilles & London
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SANTHIA	7,754	16th Nov.	Singapore, Penang & Calcutta
TALAMBA	8,018	18th Nov.	Singapore, Penang & Calcutta
TALMA	10,000	7th Dec.	Singapore, Penang & Calcutta
TILAWA	10,006	11th Dec.	Singapore, Penang & Calcutta

EASTERN & AUSTRALIAN SAILINGS (South)

TANDA	6,956	2nd Dec.	Manila, Sandakan, Thursday Island, Townsville, Brisbane, Sydney, & Melbourne.
ST. ALBANS	4,500	30th Dec. 1928	
ARAFURA	6,000	27th Jan.	

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MANTUA	10,946	11th Nov.	Shanghai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama
KHIVA	9,135	19th Nov.	Shanghai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama
TILAWA	10,006	23rd Nov.	Amoy, Moji, Kobe & Osaka
KASHGAR	9,005	26th Nov.	Shanghai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama
ST. ALBANS	4,500	6th Dec.	Moji, Kobe, Osaka & Yokohama
MOREA	10,953	9th Dec.	Shanghai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama
KIDDERPORE	5,334	10th Dec.	Shanghai, Kobe & Moji
KALYAN	9,144	13th Dec.	Shanghai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama
DEVANHA	8,155	24th Dec. 1928	Shanghai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama
MALWA	10,986	7th Jan.	Shanghai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama
KHYBER	9,114	21st Jan.	Shanghai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama
KHIVA	9,135	28th Jan.	Shanghai, Moji & Kobe
MACEDONIA	11,120	4th Feb.	Shanghai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama
KASHMIR	8,985	18th Feb.	Shanghai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama
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MOREA	10,953	30th Mar.	Shanghai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama.
KASHGAR	9,005	13th April	Shanghai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama.
MALWA	10,986	27th April	Shanghai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama
DEVANHA	8,155	11th May	Shanghai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama

All dates are approximate and subject to alteration without notice.

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S.S. "CITY OF WELLINGTON"	Via Suez Canal	20th Nov.
S.S. "PHEMIUS"	Via Suez Canal	26th Nov.
S.S. "MACHAON"	Via Suez Canal	16th Dec.
SS. "CITY OF LAHORE"	Via Suez Canal	29th Dec.

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LOCAL SHIPPING.

TO-DAY'S ARRIVALS AND DEPARTURES.

THIS MORNING'S LIST.

Shantung (1,568) British, from Shanghai, Swatow,—B. & S.:—228 passengers, 740 tons general cargo for Hong Kong, 620 tons general (through).

Tean (1,351) British, from Haiphong, Hoihow,—B. & S.:—312 passengers, 1,500 tons general cargo for Hong Kong.

Chenan (1,355) British, from Canton,—B. & S.:—344 tons general cargo (through).

Porthos (7,338) French, from Marseilles, Saigon,—M. M.:—152 passengers, 105 tons general cargo for Hong Kong, 3,453 tons general (through).

Van Heutz (2,720) Dutch, from Amoy, Swatow,—J. C. J. L.:—830 passengers, 5 tons general cargo, for Hong Kong, 700 tons general (through).

Dampto (1,430) Norwegian, from Canton,—K. Larssen.

Vestland (1,139) Norwegian, from Canton,—K. Larssen.

Kaiyo Maru (1,126) Japanese, from Keelung, Swatow,—O. S. K.:—197 passengers, 800 tons general cargo for Hong Kong.

Yeijun Maru (1,284) Japanese, from Dairen, Chefoo,—M. B. K.:—300 tons general cargo for Hong Kong.

Hwei An (880) Chinese, from Canton,—Yei Tai Hong.

Shiu Hing (114) Chinese, from Macao,—Hoo Hing:—58 tons general cargo for Hong Kong.

Sun Kong (322) Chinese, from K. C. Wan,—Man Yick:—250 tons general cargo for Hong Kong.

Haiching (1,267) British, from Foochow, Swatow,—Douglas:—228 passengers,—450 tons general cargo for Hong Kong.

Departures.

For Swatow:—Menado Maru.

For Singapore:—Seiyo Maru, Svale, Delta.

For Macao:—Shiu Hing.

For Foochow:—Tong Lee, Hwei An.

For Canton:—Shantung, Song Bo, Cheong Shing.

For Shanghai:—Porthos.

For Samrinda:—Vestland.

For Chinwangtao:—Dampto.

For Amoy:—Talma.

For Autau:—Tak Hing.

For Hoihow:—Borneo, Phranang.

Clearances.

For Singapore:—Van Heutz.

For Batavia:—Tjisalak.

Shipping Abstract.

	Arrivals	Departures	In Port
British	4	5	19
Japanese	2	2	4
Norwegian	2	3	2
Chinese	3	5	13
French	1	2	1
Portuguese	0	0	2
American	0	0	1
Panama	0	0	1
Dutch	1	0	0
	13	17	49

WARSHIPS IN PORT.

The following warships and auxiliaries were in harbour this morning: North Wall Basin, Kharki; South Wall Basin, Somme, Tarantula and Onslaught; East Wall Basin, Subs. L4, L15 and L19; In Dock, Thracian, Sepoy and L20; Taikoo Dock, Peterel and Tern; Buoy 1, Argus; Buoy 6, Titania and L2, L3, L7 and L8; Buoy 7, Durban; Buoy 8, Ambrose, L1, L5, L27 and L33; Buoy 9, Marazion; Buoy 11, Serapis; Buoy 13, Bruce; Buoy 18, Ruthenia; Buoy 20, Francol and Belgo.

Dangerous goods manifested yesterday were 202 cases of cartridges on the s.s. "Porthos" arriving here from Marseilles and Saigon.

CONSIGNEES.

SERVICES CONTRACTUELS DES MESSAGERIES MARITIMES.

CONSIGNEE NOTICE.

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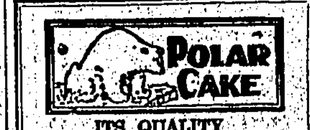
All claims must be sent in to me on or before FRIDAY, the 18th November, 1927, or they will not be recognized.

DAMAGED PACKAGES will be examined by the Company's Surveyor, Messrs. Goddard & Douglas in the presence of the Consignees at 10 a.m. on TUESDAY, the 15th November, 1927.

No Fire Insurance will be effected by us in any case whatever.

J. LIMAGE,
Agent.

Hong Kong, 9th November, 1927.



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Seattle, Nov. 3.

Captain Richard Nealy of the Robert Dollar Line freighter "West Izon" to-day revealed his ship's log showing that he sighted the Japanese fishing boat "Ryoei Maru" last December 23, 700 miles of her course.

The "Ryoei Maru" is the vessel which drifted into port some days ago filled with skeletons and bodies, indicating starvation and cannibalism during the long period of drifting from Japan.

Captain Healy said he hailed the small craft and offered help. The Japanese on board declined his assistance, merely requesting that his ship send a radio message to the Japanese owners giving the position of the "Ryoei Maru," which was done.

The fishing craft was at that time fighting a sixty-mile-an-hour gale with sleet and snow.—United Press.

PASSENGER LIST.

ARRIVALS.

Per M. M. s.s. "Porthos," November 9 from Marseilles and ports:—

Mr. H. Weill, Mr. Rodfern, Mr. L. Elie, Mme. Phillippon, Mr. N. Tandonal, Mr. and Mme. G. Hegemelier, Mr. C. Chanpkin, Mr. and Mme. H. L. Pratt, Mr. L. Y. Lap, Mme. Anderson; Mlle. Vincent and two infants, Mr. and Mme. Langbank, Mr. and Mme. F. da Silva and two infants, Mr. R. de Arruza, Mr. W. Maybury, Mr. Lim Tan, Mr. Luong Quan, Mr. Chan To, Mr. Duong Ioh, Mr. Simhong, Mr. Lai Chon, Mr. Pham Nsuxuyen, Mr. Shum Te-ba, Mr. I Enf, Mr. C. A. Fong Ponne, Mr. S. L. Vaswain, Mr. Cheong York-ling, Mr. Chea Loi, Mme. J. Espaigeac, Mr. Yoshikawa, Mr. and Mme. Peterson, Mme. Xho Mai-nuong, Mr. Giang Long-bin, Mr. Giang Ninh-can, Mme. Hong Lang, Mme. Khuat Kang, Mme. Luong Phi, Mr. Luong Nan, Mr. Duong Que, Mr. Yu Chen-han, Mr. Cao Kung, Mr. Phoung Bac, Mr. Khuong Tong, Mr. La Cum, Mr. La Mua, Mr. Ta Lang, Mr. Chung Dang, Mr. Huyeh Khon-phuoo, Mr. Tran Kieh, Mme. Tran Huc, Mr. Tran Chan, Mr. Truong Thanh, Mr. Truong Truong, Mr. Tang Dinh, and Mr. Tang Dan.

DEPARTURES.

Passengers departed from Hong Kong per s.s. "Porthos" on November 9 were:—

Messrs. C. B. Erbstein, A. T. S. Jensen, M. Bos, Mr. and Mrs. J. Mitchell, Mrs. C. B. Morrison, Mrs. E. M. C. Boyd and child, Mrs. Dickson and child, Mrs. T. E. Taylor and two children, Mr. and Mrs. T. Thye, Messrs. J. Maher, J. Boutot, J. J. Richard, C. F. Thomas, Y. Golias, R. Cirot, P. Binvel, A. Rullan, J. Dumont, J. Coppola, and A. Le Pen.

MOVEMENTS OF STEAMERS.

The s.s. "Venezia" (D. & Co.) sailed from Colombo on October 26, and is due here to-day.

The P. & O. s.s. "Macedonia" left Shanghai for this port on November 8 at 22 p.m. with the mails, and is due here to-morrow

The P. & O. s.s. "Mantua" left Singapore for this port on November 6 at 4 p.m. with the outward English Mails, and is due here to-morrow at about 6 a.m.

The C.P.S., R.M.S. "Empress of Russia" left Yokohama for Vancouver on November 4 at 3 p.m., and is due at Vancouver on November 13.

The C.P.S., R.M.S. "Empress of Asia" arrived at Manila on November 4 at 8 a.m. leaves Manila on November 12 at 4 p.m., and is due at Hong Kong on November 14 at 8 a.m. She will berth on her arrival here at Pier No. 5, Kowloon Wharf, and leave for Victoria and Vancouver, B.C., via Shanghai, Nagasaki, Kobe and Yokohama at 6 a.m. on November 16.

The C.P.S., R.M.S. "Empress of Canada" left Vancouver for Hong Kong, via Japan ports and Shanghai, on November 3 and is due here on November 21.

The s.s. "Calulu" (D. & Co.) is due to sail from Sydney on November 10, and is expected here on or about December 4.

The M.V. "Remo" (D. & Co.) sailed from Trieste on October 24, and is expected to arrive here on December 8.

The s.s. "Wray Castle" (D. & Co.) sailed from New York on October 15, and is expected here on or about December 10.

CONSIGNEES' NOTICE.

Consignees of Cargo ex s.s. "Porthos" are requested by the Agent to send in all claims before November 18.

The s.s. "Heng Tai," arriving from Samarinda with coal, reports a boiler leakage, which necessitated stopping the ship for eight hours to effect repairs.

Coming down from Canton on Tuesday, the "Kwong Sai," "Sai On" and "Charles Hardouin" all touched on the Tai Shek Barrier, but no damage was sustained.

COASTAL SHIPS.

LATEST CHANGES IN PERSONNEL.

Mr. J. Johnston, chief engineer, "Tungchow," has gone chief engineer, "Wanliu." Mr. G. W. Clark, second engineer, "Sheungking," has gone chief engineer, "Tungchow." Mr. A. Urwin, sup'y second engineer, "Hsin Peking," has gone second engineer, "Tungchow." Mr. W. Gordon, second engineer, "Tungchow," is on reserve.

Mr. W. J. Dinnen, from Home leave, has gone chief engineer, "Kaying."

Mr. A. N. Winstone, third engineer, "Yunnan," is on reserve.

Mr. J. F. Wylie, chief engineer, "Chekiang," has gone chief engineer, "Soochow." Mr. H. A. Morrison, chief engineer, "Soochow," has gone chief engineer, "Chekiang."

Mr. A. Jeffrey, third engineer, "Poyang," has gone third engineer, "Hsin Peking." Mr. G. Stewart, acting third engineer, "Hsin Peking," has gone acting chief engineer, "Nanchang." Mr. R. K. Burns, chief engineer, "Nanchang," has gone chief engineer, "Kanting."

Mr. J. S. K. Oliver, sup'y third engineer, "Poyang," has gone third engineer, "Tungchow."

Mr. J. A. Anderson, second engineer, "Liangchow," has gone second engineer, "Chungking." Mr. E. J. Easson, second engineer, "Chungking," has gone second engineer, "Liangchow."

Mr. A. B. Blair, third engineer, "Liangchow," has gone acting second engineer, "Shengking."

Mr. A. C. Newton, second officer, "Yusang," has gone second officer, "Hopsang," Mr. J. Hunter, second officer, "Hopsang," has gone second officer, "Yusang."—"Shipping and Engineering."

WATER SUPPLY.

Storage of water in Reservoirs on November 1, 1927:—

Storage in millions and decimals of gallons.

	1926	1927
Tytam	339.12	334.45
Tytam Byewash	11.75	3.92
Tytam Intermediate	195.90	195.90
Tytam Tuk	1,405.98	1,335.00
Wong Nei Chung	17.15	18.60
Pokfulum	54.38	56.40
Total	2,024.28	1,944.27

Consumption of water in the City and Hill District in millions and decimals of gallons during the month of October.

	1926	1927
Consumption	285.89	304.94
Estimated population	405,900	416,220
Consumption per head per day	20.6	23.3

Full Supply in all Rider Main Districts during October, 1926 and 1927.

KOWLOON WATER WORKS.

Storage in millions and decimals of gallons.

	1926	1927
Kowloon Reservoir	351.63	327.75
Shek Lai Pui Reservoir	100.80	100.80
Reception Reservoir		
Total	452.43	428.55

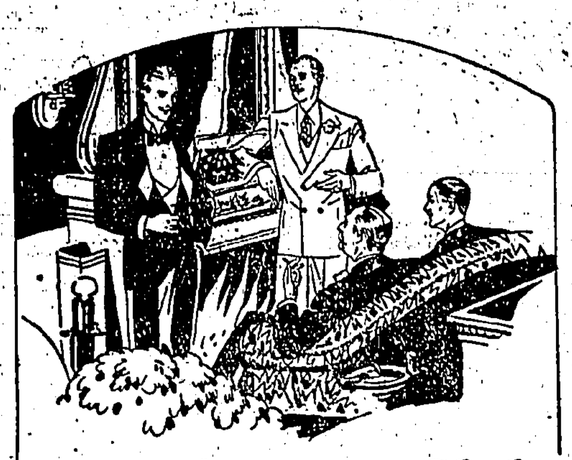
Consumption of water in Kowloon in millions and decimals of gallons during the month of October.

	1926	1927
Consumption	78.64	101.04
Estimated population	157,300	162,340
Consumption per head per day	16.1	20.00

Full Supply in all districts during October, 1926 and 1927.

The Government Analyst's reports show that the quality of the water is satisfactory.

Total rainfall to October 31, 1926, 95.36; October 31, 1927, 104.67 ins.



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Pres. Garfield .....Dec. 18th 8 a.m.
Pres. Harrison ..Jan. 1st 6 a.m.
Pres. Monroe ...Jan. 15th 8 a.m.
Pres. Wilson ...Jan. 31st 6 a.m.

To MANILA

Pres. Lincoln .....Nov. 14th 6 p.m.
Pres. Polk .....Nov. 29th 8 a.m.
Pres. Cleveland Nov. 22nd 6 p.m.
Pres. Madison ..Nov. 28th 6 p.m.
Pres. Adams ...Dec. 4th 8 a.m.
Pres. Pierce ....Dec. 6th 6 p.m.

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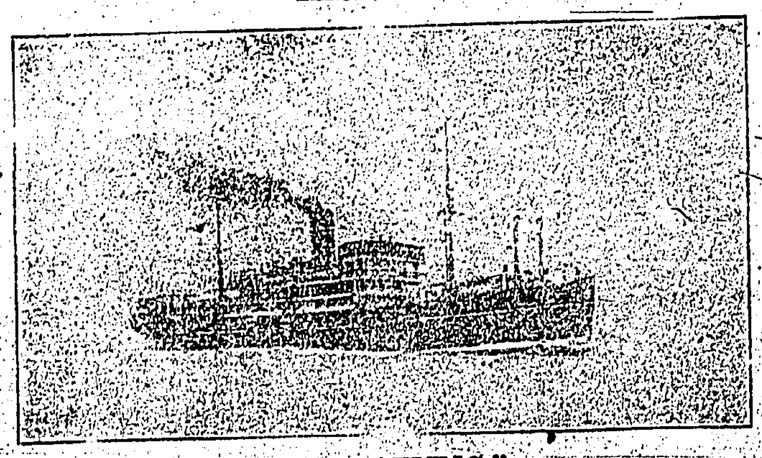

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Hong Kong, Thursday, Nov. 10, 1927.

A PAROCHIAL PEOPLE.

The Prime Minister has delivered an interesting and informative, if not exactly inspiriting and eloquent, speech at the Lord Mayor's banquet at the Guildhall. His allusion to China, and the impossibility of Great Britain recognising any of the conflicting Governments and Generals, in view of our policy of non-interference, may appeal to the majority of us out here. But, it may be asked: how many will really enthuse over his references to the negotiations between Britain and Egypt or over his allusions to the Indian Statutory Commission, or even over his prediction of brighter trade prospects within the immediate future? One might as well expect a school boy to rejoice over an examination paper in which he was asked to detail all the conflicting Governments and Generals in China of which Mr. Baldwin spoke.

Unless, mayhap, we have come into personal touch with Egypt or India, or with the Capital versus Labour problem at Home, not even a volcano can shake us out of our lethargy toward these things, and the eloquence of Prime Ministers and other statesmen is wasted on the desert air. The truth is, and it must be candidly confessed, we are on the whole, a parochial people out here. We are concerned solely with the material things of the life around us. We find ourselves in the niche provided for us by Providence or by some Good Samaritan, and that niche becomes in the twinkling of an eye a groove into which we become firmly wedged with no hope—and no desire—to extricate ourselves. We go with "the crowd," do what "the crowd" do, and we (consciously or otherwise) re-echo what "the crowd" say. Let other Empires rise and other Empires wane, we remain stolid and indifferent to the issues involved. And as to local movements and local developments, the great majority of us are quite content to plod along in our own way and leave that to the "other fellow." We are never tired of declaring that we are not here for our health"; that "life is too short" to worry over things that do not concern us personally; and that "the line of least resistance" is to steer clear of all and everything that implies a little extra effort.

Quite recently a furore has been created up North about the "Shanghai mind." We would be most reluctant to say of Hong Kong all that has been written derogatory to the good name of Shanghai. Nevertheless, apart from the small band of zealots in this and that "cause," the most rabid partisan of this Colony cannot but admit that there is considerable room for improvement in our personal and individual outlook on life as we see it from the office window. Too often parochialism is another name for apathy and indifference to anything concerning the other parts of the Empire. That, at least, cannot be said of the people of Hong Kong. When the "fiery cross" goes round we are not as a rule found conspicuous by our absence or by our lack of interest.

That in itself is a happy augury on occasions such as Poppy Day to-morrow, when the whole community will strive to make Hong Kong's contribution to Earl Haig's Fund something of which to be proud, personally and collectively. The kind of parochialism that can in rare moments climb the summits and think of the needs of others in the next room of the Empire is not to be despised or criticised. In fact, to describe it as parochialism in the ordinarily accepted sense of the term would be a misnomer.

ATTEMPTED SUICIDE.

Whilst the Yaumati ferry launch "Man Yee" was on a trip from Yaumati to Hong Kong at 11.30 yesterday morning, a Chinese passenger jumped overboard as the launch was passing the Kowloon Godown.

A member of the launch's crew pluckily jumped in after the would-be suicide and succeeded in keeping him above water until they were both hauled back into the launch.

On the "Man Yee's" arrival in Hong Kong, the would-be suicide was removed to the Government Civil Hospital where he is being detained.

One case of cerebro-spinal fever (Chinese) was reported yesterday.

LANDSLIDE SEQUEL.

INQUEST ON VICTIMS OPENED.

JURY VISIT SCENE.

An inquest on the bodies of the victims in the landslide at the Mohammedan Cemetery, was opened by Major C. Willson at the Central Magistracy yesterday afternoon.

The three coolies killed in this landslide on October 26 were buried in a trench three feet deep and twenty feet long, which was being prepared three feet below the surface of the terrace as the foundation of a retaining wall for the terrace. Seven men and three women were engaged in the work. Three men and one woman were buried as a result of the slide, but the latter was extricated alive.

Major Willson informed the jury that the contractor, Chan Kam, had been summoned on a charge of carrying out this work without a permit from the Building Authority of the P.W.D., but the case concerning this summons would not be heard until the inquest had been completed, in order that the mind of the jury should not be influenced. If the jury found that the contractor had been guilty of negligence, said His Worship, he would be liable to a charge of manslaughter.

After formally opening the inquest and outlining the evidence, Major Willson visited the scene of the landslide with the members of the jury, and other officials.

Later the inquest was resumed and Dr. J. R. Craig gave evidence regarding the post-mortem examination he had made. The death of the three coolies, he said, was due to suffocation.

Mr. U. Rumjahn stated that he gave out a contract for carrying out certain repair work at the Mohammedan Cemetery, and occasionally he visited the place to see how the work was progressing. He went here as soon as he heard of the accident.

The contractor (Chan Kam) stated that after being given the contract for the work he handed it over to another contractor. He had paid visits of inspection but did not see any cracks in the earth.

The sub-contractor also gave evidence.

The inquest was adjourned until Monday afternoon.

NOT ABDUCTED.

POLICE AND DESPERADOES IN SHANGHAI.

Interviewed by a reporter of the "Sinwanpao" at his office, Capt. Barrett, Commissioner of Shanghai Municipal Police, smilingly refuted the recent rumours of the armed abduction of a high police official. He stated that, about a fortnight ago, he was feeling unwell, so he took a rest at the time. During his leave, a foreign constable wished to see him, but he failed. When he resumed duty, rumours were prevalent that he had been abducted. He added that since the search of motor cars was begun at the end of last month, no armed abduction cases have been reported in the Settlement, as motor cars are largely used in these cases. Such measures will be a serious blow to the abductors, thereby decreasing the number of such offences.

LATE PRINCE ITO.

UNVEILING OF BUST AT HARBIN.

Harbin, Oct. 26.

At 10 a.m. at the local station, exactly 19 years ago to-day, Prince Hirobumi Ito, one of the greatest of Japanese statesmen, was assassinated by a malcontent Korean, one An-Ju-kon, and to-day a bust of the Prince, the work of the famous Japanese sculptor, the late Taketaro Shinkai, was unveiled by Mr. Shinichi Ito, the Prince's youngest son, in a commemorative ceremony, attended by over 500 notables, including officials of the Kwantung and Chosen Governments-General.

A memorial meeting will be held this evening in honour of the late Prince Ito.—"Rengo."

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The Hon. Treasurer of the Alice Memorial and Affiliated Hospitals acknowledges with thanks the following donations to the funds of the Hospitals:—

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USE OF KNIFE.

UNINTENTIONAL WOUND INFLICTED.

COOLIES' HORSE PLAY.

Rough horse play between two coolies at the Kowloon Godowns on November 3, resulted in one man losing his temper, and in his anger he was alleged to have produced a knife and stabbed the other, who received a wound which necessitated his removal to the hospital.

The matter had its sequel in Mr. W. Schofield's Court at the Kowloon Magistracy when the assailant was charged. Sub-Inspector Dorling told the Magistrate that the complainant was satisfied that the act was not intentional, and that the wound was inflicted by accident. The Police, therefore, left the matter in his Worship's hands.

The Magistrate cautioned the accused, and ordered him to sign a bond in the sum of $50 to be of good behaviour for six months.

RUSSIA'S ART LIFE.

ARE WE 50 YEARS BEHIND?

The artistic life of Russia to-day is simply marvellous. The events of the last few years have deepened the character of the people and concentrated their energies in spiritual channels, England is, artistically, fifty years behind the Russia of to-day."

This was the statement made by Mr. Albert Coates, the famous conductor, who was head of the Russian Imperial Opera from 1910 to 1919, and who has just returned from another visit to Russia.

Mr. Coates was the conductor of the Rimsky-Korsakov opera on Mozart which Mr. C. B. Cochran produced in the Albert Hall, and which was thus performed for the first time outside of Russia.

"We have everything to learn from the Russians," said Mr. Coates. "Mr. Cochran has been so interested in what I have told him that he is going out with me next year to see what ideas he can pick up in the Russian theatre. We hope to start in April.

"In the course of two and a half months in Leningrad I conducted at thirty-odd performances, and every one of them was packed. They were thrilling audiences, intent the whole time. The opera and the theatres are all crammed. One of their favourite authors is Shaw—they are simply crazy on him.

New Forms Tried Out.

"New forms of art are being tried out every day. There is one theatre in Leningrad which is wholly given over to artistic experiments, and, far from being empty, it is crowded out regularly.

"The Russians have pushed symbolistic decoration to its furthest extent. You often see a stage absolutely bare of furniture, and decorated only with great symbolic designs.

"I saw the production of a new German opera in which the harsh spirit of modernity was symbolised in the decorations which were made entirely of steel, there being a revolving central stage in the middle of the main stage to save scene-shifting.

"I hope to bring something of the spirit of Russia to England in the Albert Hall this year. Before the opera itself there will be three choral and orchestral items from Mozart's 'Requiem,' which will be sung by a choir of 1,000, I think the largest trained choir that can have ever sung. There will also be items from other Russian operas."

SMILES & LAUGHTER.

COMFORT FOR THOSE UNABLE TO LAUGH.

Those solemn faced individuals who are unable to laugh may reap certain comfort in the findings of Professor F. Aveling of the University of London who makes the statement that it is only the "superior" or discontented man who really laughs.

He suggests that "perhaps that is why laughter, like tears, is ugly—being made up of grimaces and contortions, the mask of a hard or selfish mind."

The Professor thinks that smiles are beautiful, as marks of human sympathy and understanding in a heart that is at peace with itself and with the world.

The really happy man never laughs, or at least only seldom, though he may smile. He does not need to laugh, for laughter, like weeping, is a relief of mental tension and the happy are not overstrung.

He continues: "The unhappy man cannot laugh. He is too much wrapped up in his misery to see the drollery of his own case or to enter into the tragedy or comedy of any other.

"Laughter is a kind of behaviour, exceedingly curious were it not so commonplace, which begins in a puckering of features and ends in jelly-like convulsions of the whole body. Moreover, it is an idiosyncrasy of human kind alone."

P'RAPS-P'RAPS NOT!

P'raps you hold the winning ticket in the Shanghai Champion Griffins Sweep!—P'raps!

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An American was complaining that it was difficult to understand British sport.

"But where's the difficulty?" asked his friend.

"Wal, you see," explained the gentleman from overseas, "what fogs me is this. How comes it that a Scotsman scored the goal that took the English Cup to Wales?"

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A guileless young curate was paying his first visit to London. When passing Buckingham Palace he stood gazing at two sentries marching towards each other and turning abruptly in the opposite directions whenever they were a few feet apart.

"Why," lisped the reverend youth to his companions, "oh, why don't the dear fellows make it up?"

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A young man going along the canal saw an old fellow looking in very anxiously. He asked him if there was anything the matter.

"Yes," replied the other, who was an Irishman, "my mate has fallen in."

The young man jumped in the water but could not find him, so he asked where he fell in.

The old man replied, "Oh, it fell off my bread just in there."

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Lambeth Magistrate to an offender—What have you to say?

Co-defender, in an undertone—Say you are sorry.

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Midland Solicitor—The only thing to do in this milk case is to summon the cow.

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"Good gracious, Sandy," said Jimmy's voice; "you've fallen out of bed."

Sandy picked himself up, laughing, because it was all a dream.

"Something went wrong with the wireless," he said.

Jimmy went over to examine it.

"Oh, it's nothing, he said; "it's only the cat's whisker."

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Salt is the stuff that makes potatoes taste bad when you don't put any on.

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Some people are like shadows... always on the other side.

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"I don't think there's anything wrong in asking for an increase of salary," said the clerk to his employer. "You may remember you promised me a rise when I had been with you a year."

"I know I did," rejoined the employer, "but didn't I make it conditional upon your giving me every satisfaction?"

"And in what way, sir, haven't I given you satisfaction?" asked the clerk.

"In what way?" replied the employer with a show of anger. "Do you think you are satisfying me in asking for a rise?"

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The lecturer was emphasising the demoralising effect of divorce.

"Love," he said, "is a quest; a proposal, a request; the giving of a daughter's hand in marriage, a bequest, and marriage itself the conquest. But what is divorce?"

Voice from the audience: "The inquest."

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Visitor (to little Bobby): "What nice furniture you have in here."

Bobby: "Yes, isn't it? I think the man we bought it from is sorry he sold it now, though. He's always calling."

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The recruits were lined up for inspection when the orderly observed with amazement that one of the privates was minus his hat and coat.

"Where's the rest of your uniform?" he demanded fiercely.

"In the barrack-room, sir," replied the Tommy.

"Then go and get properly dressed at once," was the stern command.

The man dashed off, and a few moments later returned with his coat on but still without his hat.

"Where's your hat, dolt?" roared the officer.

Back went the man and soon appeared again with hat and coat complete. The officer looked at him for a minute. Then:

"What have you done with your rifle?" he bellowed.

"Left it in the barrack-room, sir," was the answer.

"Good heavens!" shouted the other. "You're a fine soldier. What were you before you joined up?"

"Plumber's mate, sir," was the all-sufficient reply.

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"TREVESSA" TROPHY.

DUTCH BOAT WINS GOOD RACE.

"KWANGTUNG'S" BAD LUCK.

The eight semi-annual contest between lifeboats of ships in harbour was rowed yesterday afternoon over the usual course and was won for the fourth successive time by a Dutch boat, that from the s.s. "Tjisalak" under Mr. Hen, the helmsman.

The race was an exciting one and the victory of the Dutch boat was only snatched at the last moment owing to the "Kwangtung" boat, which had been leading all the way, experiencing trouble with her halyards when near the winning line. This enabled the "Tjisalak," assisted by a sudden breeze, to come up and win by four or five lengths.

The "Kwangtung" boat had already lessened the lead she had maintained throughout by working over too close to the Hong Kong side before dowsing her sail—this was after rounding Cust Rock on the last lap.

The second "Tjisalak" boat, under Mr. Beets, was disqualified for interfering with the "Henry Keswick" when the Dutch Boat fouled the mark at the Yacht Club. The "Hinsang" and the "Van Heutz" were also disqualified for using eight oars.

At the conclusion of the race Mr. A. L. Shields, the Commodore of the Royal Hong Kong Yacht Club under the auspices of which the race is held, presented the Cup and a souvenir to the helmsman of the winning boat.

Mr. C. de Bruyn, Manager of the J.C.J.L., expressed the pleasure of the Company that one of their crews had again been successful.

The order of finishing was as under:—

	Finishing Time Time.	Elapsed.
1.—"Tjisalak" (Mr. Hen)	4.56.48	0.55.29
2.—"Kwangtung" (Mr. Shenn)	4.57.11	0.55.52
3.—"Hinsang" (Mr. Lindsay)	5.00.49	0.59.30
4.—"Van Heutz" (Mr. Hendricks)	5.02.39	1.01.20
5.—"Kwangchow" (Mr. Fords)	5.02.41	1.01.22
6.—"Hanyang" (Mr. Shenn)	5.19.06	1.17.47
7.—"Henry Keswick" (Mr. Gromuder)	5.22.31	1.21.12
"Tjisalak" (Mr. Beets)	D.N.F.	

DADO BEATS JOHNSON.

San Francisco, Nov. 3.

Speedy Dado, Filipino flyweight champion and strongest aspirant to the crown Fidel La Barba cast aside, won over Snowy Johnson by a technical knock-out here to-night in the third round of a scheduled ten-round battle.

Dado floored Johnson twice for the count of nine. After that the referee stopped the unequal battle to save Johnson from further punishment.—United Press.

WARNING TO POWERS.

OUTLAWRY OF HANKOW CHIEF.

Shanghai, Nov. 4.

Acting upon the instruction of the Government Council, Mr. Quo Tai-chi, Special Commissioner for Foreign Affairs for Kiangsu, is understood to have addressed a communication to the Senior Consul, requesting the latter to warn all foreign individuals or commercial organs against making loans to Tang Seng-chi who is known to have offered "special privileges" in the territory now under his control to several well-known foreign firms in Shanghai in return for substantial loans.

In his warning, Mr. Quo states that the Nationalist Government having found Tang a traitor to the Nationalist cause and has declared war against him, all private contracts entered into by him and any foreign interest since September 29, 1927, involving the surrender of China's sovereign rights shall not be recognised as legal and binding by the Nationalist Government.

It is understood that since the beginning of hostilities in the upper Yangtsze, the Nationalist Government has instituted a blockade against Wu-Han. All arms, ammunitions, various metals and other war materials are not allowed to be shipped upriver.—"Kuo Min."

TIENTSIN'S FUEL SUPPLY.

Public Utilities Likely to be Without Coal.

Tientsin, Nov. 4.

It is understood that the Kailan Mining Administration is willing to sell coal from the Hotung coal-yard provided the buyer removes it himself and undertakes not to pay the newly-imposed tax.

It appears that the native-city waterworks and electricity station will soon be without fuel.—Reuter.

THEATRE "ROW."

ASSAULT ON A TICKET COLLECTOR.

A CONFESSION OF SPITE.

In connection with the affray in the Taiping Theatre reported yesterday, the five alleged assailants of the ticket collector at the theatre and Chinese Detective Sergeant Wong Kam, were charged before Mr. R. E. Lindsell at the Central Magistracy this morning.

The accused were lined up in the dock as follow: Ho Kam-tai, stoker on Firefloat No. 3, Choi Kam and Chan Chan, firemen attached to the Kowloon Fire Station, and Cheung Tai and Kwok Wa-sing, seamen on Firefloat No. 3.

Detective Sergeant Wong Kam was present in Court with the injury on his head dressed, whilst the ticket collector who was stated to have been more seriously injured was still in hospital.

When the accused were charged, Nos. 1 and 5 admitted that they struck the ticket collector and not the Sergeant, whilst the other three pleaded "not guilty."

Asked how the Sergeant managed to get his head broken, the first accused said that he did not know.

Mr. Lindsell: What do you mean by assaulting the Taiping Theatre man?

First accused replied that on Tuesday while he was standing outside the Central Market, the man bumped him and then swore at him. He recognised the man, so that night he went to the theatre to get revenge.

Mr. Lindsell: You admit that, you scoundrel! You, a Government servant, dare to vent a private spite and take friends with you? Scoundrel!

The accused were remanded until Monday morning.

CINEMA NOTES.

"THE UNTAMED LADY" AT THE QUEEN'S.

"HE WHO GET'S SLAPPED."

Gloria Swanson in one of her most captivating roles is the attraction at the Queen's Theatre to-day, where "The Untamed Lady" will be screened for the first time. The star is seen in this picture as a beautiful, lovable daughter of wealth. Her only fault is an ungovernable temper, the result of being spoiled when she was a child. How this temper is broken after it has wrecked three love affairs is the theme of a clever and amusing story.

A spice of thrill is added by a terrible storm at sea after which Gloria is compelled by her strong willed fiance to shovel coal in the stoke-hold as a punishment for having placed a magnet near the compass to deflect the ship's course so that she could not be put ashore. The storm scene is presented with great realism, and the other settings are also extremely well done.

"The Untamed Lady," which will be screened in the Queen's Theatre until Saturday is a picture which cannot fail to please Gloria Swanson's many admirers in Hong Kong and which should provide entertainment of a lighter kind for the Armistice Anniversary holiday.

"HE WHO GET'S SLAPPED!"

"He Who Get's Slapped," the feature attraction at the World Theatre to-day, is the screen version of a famous play by Leonid Andreyev, a Russian playwright. It was produced in London and New York in 1922 and was called one of the most brilliant plays of any season.

When the Metro-Goldwyn-Mayor organisation decided to put "He Who Get's Slapped" on the screen it was quickly decided that Victor Seastorm, the Swedish director, should have charge of the work. The result is a masterly film.

Lon Chaney appears as "He," Morma Shearer is Consuelo, and John Gilbert is the young circus rider who wins Consuelo. Others in the cast include Tully Marshall, Ford Sterling, Clyde Cook, Mare McDermott, Harvey Clarke, Paulette Duval, and George Davis.

"THE SPANISH DANCER."

Pola Negri has a role after her own heart in "The Spanish Dancer," which forms the chief attraction in the new *continuous* programme at the Star Theatre to-day.

The story has been adapted from the famous opera "Maritana," and the picture is full of romance and colour. The setting of the story is Spain in the Middle Ages.

Pola Negri is cast as the gypsy maiden, a part admirably suited to her striking type of beauty and her skill as an actress. The "Spanish Dancer" will be screened at the Star Theatre until Saturday.

POLAR CAKE
ITS QUALITY THAT COUNTS

STAR THEATRE.

THE NEW OUR CABARET'S SEASON.

MANY NEW ITEMS.

Mr. Charles Chamier's London vaudeville company, the New Our Cabaret, will begin its season in Kowloon at the Star Theatre at 9.15 on Sunday with a new revue called "Hey. Hey!". booking for which is now open at Moutrie's and the Star Theatre at the popular admission prices of $3, $2, and $1.

Besides two new sketches "Honeymoon Hall" and "Find The Dog," this entertaining revue includes some new comedy songs by Mr. Charles Mason, the popular comedian; and a special comedy number, "A La Alfred Lester," by

Miss Muriel Varna, the vivacious comedienne, who was unable to appear in the Star Theatre last August owing to illness and will be seen here for the first time on Sunday.

Another member of the company who makes her first appearance during the coming season is Mlle. Katinka, the noted Russian singer who joined the company in Shanghai, where she scored a big success recently at the Odeon Theatre.

"Hey! Hey!" will be repeated on Monday, and will be followed on Tuesday and Wednesday by "Cocktails," on Thursday and Friday by "Honi Soit," on Saturday by "A La Carte"; on Sunday by "Here and There," and on Monday, bringing the season to a close by "Pot Pourrie."

VOLUNTEERS' CORPS.

COMMANDANT'S WEEKLY ORDERS.

Orders by Lt.-Col. L. G. Bird, D.S.O., Administrative Commandant, are as under:—

Lecture.

Lecture by Major F. C. Roberts, V.C., D.S.O., O.B.E., M.C., at Volunteer Headquarters at 5.30 p.m. on Monday. All available members should attend.

Subject: Modern training. A discussion of modern ideas on Training for War with remarks on points brought out during last year's home manœuvres and Staff exercises, etc., To discuss a suggested training programme for the Volunteers whilst in camp.

Musketry.

The Artillery and Engineer Companies will fire Part II. at Stonecutters Range on Sunday.

This is the last opportunity for members of the above Companies who have not fired Part II. to attend.

Range Officer: Lieut. T. Addis Martin.

Launch will leave Murray Pier at 9 a.m. and cal lat Kowloon Pier at 9.10 a.m.

Dress: Uniform or mufti optional, but rifles, bayonet, pouches, braces and belt must be worn.

Arms will be drawn from Corps Headqurters to-day, between 9 a.m. and 12 noon, or 2 and 4 p.m., or 5 and 6 p.m.; and on Saturday, between 9 a.m. and 1 p.m.

Range.

Stonecutters Range is allotted to Casuals on Sunday, November 20, instead of January 29.

Range Officer: 2/Lieut. A. Mackenzie.

To Reserve Company on November 27, Range Officer: Lieut. A. M. Thornhill.

Artillery Company.

Musketry Part II. See Order No. 2.

Parade at Corps Headquarters at 5.25 p.m. on Thursday, for Battery Drill, B.C.A. and G.P.O.A. instruction.

Signallers as per programme.

Engineer Company.

Musketry Part II. See Order No. 2.

Monday. All members should attend the lecture by Major Roberts at Corps Headquarters at 5.30 p.m.

Field Sections. Parade at Corps Headquarters at 5.30 p.m. on Wednesday, for Tests. Dress: Mufti.

Signal Section. Parade at Corps Headquarters at 5.30 p.m. on Thursday, for Signal Instruction.

Mounted Infantry Company.

Parade a Stables at 5.30 p.m. on Tuesday. Dress: Mufti.

Armoured Car Company.

Field Day. Sunday.

Advance Party. C.Q.M.S. A. E. Kew, one driver and eight men parade at Corps Headquarters at 8.15 a.m. and proceed to Shek-O in Ford Truck to put up the targets.

Remainder parade at Corps Headquarters at 9 a.m. ready to move off at 9.10 a.m. Dress: Uniform, helmet, bandolier, belt, haversack and waterbottle, rifle and bayonet.

The Company will be back in town by tiffin time.

Monday. Lecture by Major Roberts. All members are asked to attend.

Infantry Company.

Members are notified that the Friday evening parades for Vickers Gun Training will be discontinued until further notice.

No. 1 Platoon. Parade at Corps Headquarters on Tuesday, at 5.30 p.m., for Machine-gun Instruction. Dress: Mufti, rifle and bayonet will not be required.

No. 2 Platoon. Parade at Corps Headquarters at 5.30 p.m. on Tuesday, for Machine-gun Instruction. Dress: Mufti, belt, rifle and bayonet.

No. 4 Platoon.

Parade at Corps Headquarters at 5.30 p.m. on Thursday, for Signal Instruction. Dress: Muft.

Scottish Company.

Thursday, at 5.30 p.m. Nos. 5 and 7 Platoons at Platoon Headquars for Vickers Gun Instruction. Full strength parades from now on are essential to complete programme of work prior to camp.

Thursday. No. 6 (Kowloon) Platoon will parade as soon as possible after 5.15 p.m. at Corps Headquarters ready to proceed to Kennedy Road for firing Vickers Gun.

Church Parade. Annual parade to Union Church will be held on Sunday, November 27.

Portuguese Company.

There will be no parade to-morrow. Next parade Friday, November 18, at Corps Headquarters at 5.30 p.m. for Lewis Gun Training and Drill. Dress: Mufti, belt, rifle and bayonet.

Reserve Company.

Parade at Corps Headquarters at 5.30 p.m. on Wednesday, for Machine-Gun Instruction. Dress: Mufti.

Strength.

The following recruit is taken on the strength on November 3, and posted to the Engineer Company (Signal Section).

No. 1272 Spr. S. D. Igglesden.

Leave.

The following are granted leave of absence from the Corps:—

No. 1074 Pte. A. T. Hunter, M.I. Co., from August 10 to November 30.

No. 1155 Pte. A. K. Rahumed, No. 4 Platoon, from November 4 to 11.

No. 6 Bdr. K. K. Staple, Arty. Co., from November 14 to December 4.

No. 1062 Pte. H. Birkett, M.I. Co., extension of leave from October 1, 1927 to March 31, 1928.

No. 168 Cpl. T. W. Doyle, M.I. Co., extension of leave from October 1, 1927 to March 31, 1928.

Struck Off The Strength.

Having left the Colony.

No. 1101 L/Cpl. R. F. Strange, No. 2 Platoon, as from October 20.

No. 979 Pte. C. M. Xavier, No. 10 Platoon, as from November 13.

No. 1055 Pte. P. K. M. Patten, M.I. Co., as from October 1.

Having completed three years' service and claimed his discharge: No. 644 Gnr. E. A. Howell, Artillery Co., as from October 1.

NOTICES.

Sports Meeting.

There will be a meeting of the Sports Committee on Monday, November 14, at 6.30 p.m., at Corps Headquarters. All members are requested to attend and bring with them statements of expenditure, etc., so that the accounts can be closed as soon as possible.

No. 2 Platoon Rifle Club.

The next monthly spoon shoot will be held at Peak Range on Sunday, at 9.30 a.m. A competition with the Portuguese Company Rifle Club will also be held at the same time.

Scottish Company.

Reel Club. Ninth practice will take place at Helena May Institute at 5.30 p.m. on Wednesday, November 16.

RUSSIA'S INFLUENCE.

TROUBLE PROPHESIED BY SIR SULTAN AHMED.

Patna, Oct. 21.

Interviewed by the Associated Press Sir Sultan Ahmed, Vice-Chancellor of the Patna University, who has just returned from a visit to Persia, emphasized Russia's dominating influence in Persia.

He said that the Persian markets were now flooded with Russian goods, and the absence of British goods was noticeable.

The Quetta-Duzbad railway was running at a great financial loss due to Russian pressure from the north. The Russians were anxious to have this railway abolished.

The Russians were selling goods at cheaper rates than the British. The Persians had been led to suspect every action of the British.

He declared that if Russia were allowed to have her own way in Persia, the time was not far distant when there would be serious trouble.

The Consulates were doing what they could, but there were limitations to their activities.

The Vice-Chancellor hoped for much from the coming visit to Persia of Sir Denys Bray.

He was convinced that Great Britain's only ambition was to see Persia a strong, healthy, independent country.

Shadows Before.

COMING EVENTS ANNOUNCED IN THE "MAIL."

Entertainments.

To-day—Queen's Theatre; "The Untamed Lady."

To-day—World Theatre; "He Who Gets Slapped."

To-day—Star Theatre; "The Spanish Dancer."

To-day—Musicale at Helena May Institute, 5.30 p.m.

To-day—Tea Dance at Cafe Regent, 4.30 to 6.30 p.m.; dinner dansant, 8 p.m.

To-day—Dancing at Seamen's Institute under the auspices of the Dockyard Ladies' Club, 10.30 p.m.

November 11—Poppy Day Carnival at Cafe Regent.

November 13-14—The new "Our Cabaret" in "Hey! Hey!" at the Star Theatre, Kowloon, 9.15 p.m.

November 13-14 — Queen's Theatre; "Valencia."

November 13-14—World Theatre; "The Social Celebrity."

November 13-14—Star Theatre; "To The Last Man."

November 14—Grand Carnival dance by R.E. & Royal Corps of Signals at R.E. Theatre, Wellington Barracks.

November 14—Musical treat in the City Hall given by Mrs. Percy Younghusband and Mr. Harry Ore.

November 15—Queen's Theatre; "Behind The Front."

November 15-16—World Theatre; "Monsieur Beaucaire."

November 15-16—Star Theatre; "Go West."

November 16-19 — Queen's Theatre; "The Magician."

November 17-19—World Theatre; "The Midnight Sun."

November 17-19—Star Theatre; "The Cohens and Kellys."

November 19—Opening performance of the H.K.A.D.C. "Bulldog Drummond," Theatre Royal.

November 25—Dance in Engineers Institute.

December 9—At Theatre Royal opening performance of "Merrie England," 9 p.m.

Sports.

To-day—Ping-pong: St. Peter's Club v. Hop Ying Club at C.C.Y.M.S.

To-day—Steel & Coulson's Billiard League: St. Patrick's Club v. Queen's; Police v. D.R.C.; Wardens v. Northants; Revenue v. K.O.S.B.; Garrison Sgt. Mess v. R.E. & R. Sigs.

November 11—Waseda University Hockey Team v. Royal Navy at R.N. Officers Sports Club, King's Park, 4 p.m.

November 11—Hockey "A" Team: H.K.H.C. v. K.O.S.B. at King's Park, 5 p.m

Novmber 11—Fanling Hunt, Hare and Hounds: Hunters' Arms, 2.30 p.m.

November 12—Waseda University Hockey Team v. Hong Kong Hockey Club, on Club ground at King's Park, 4 p.m.

November 13—Fanling Paper Hunt, November Cup: Sheungshui Police Station, 10.45 a.m.

November 26— Eighth Extra Race Meeting of the H.K. Jockey Club, Happy Valley.

December 3—Autumn meeting of the Fanling Hunt.

Meetings.

November 14—Meeting of the Sports Committee at H.K.V.D.C. Headquarters, 6.30 p.m.

November 21— Extraordinary meeting of Prince's Bldg. and Land Co., Ltd., at Registered Office of the Company in Prince's Bldg., 4.15 p.m.

November 29—Annual general meeting of the Hong Kong Horticultural Society in the Board Room of Messrs. Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd., 5.15 p.m.

Miscellaneous.

November 16—Reel Club eighth practice, Helena May Institute, 5.30 p.m.

November 12—St. Peter's Church Young Men's Club garden fete.

November 17—Vice-President and Committee of the Victoria Diocesan Association "At Home" to members and their friends at Helena May Institute.

November 23—Laying of foundation stone of the new Wanchai Wesleyan building.

November 27—Annual church parade to Union Church.

"RED" MENACE.

MAHARAJA OF BURDWAN'S WARNING.

London, Oct. 22.

Replying to the toast of "The Dominions Overseas," which was proposed by Mr. W. C. Bridgeman at the Nelson Day dinner of the Navy League, in London, the Maharaja of Burdwan said that as long as the "Red" menace stretched its hand right across the Mongolian Empire, so long would India have its land problems that no Navy could solve.

The "Red" menace meant to destroy modern civilisation.

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India would long require the protection of her maritime trade. If India were to continue to be the brightest jewel in the diadem of the King-Emperor, it was the duty of them all, Englishmen or Indians, to realise that India could, and doubtless in time would, play an important part in the development of the British Navy.

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LOCAL AND GENERAL NEWS.

Taiping Hill has lately become much more popular with visitors in consequence of improvements made to the bungalows.

In connection with the series of winter season concerts a "Folk Music" musicale will be given at the Helena May Institute this evening, at 5.30.

A Chinese coolie working in the China Navigation Co.'s Godown at West Point yesterday was knocked down by a bag of beans which fell on him. He sustained injuries which necessitated his removal to hospital.

Items in the topical gazette showing at the Queen Theatre today are the winning of the Cesarewitch, the annual procession of judges for the opening of the Law Courts in London, and the launching of an Indian liner at Glasgow.

People who went to the Central Bank, Hankow, to get their notes redeemed on October 28 were allowed to cash only three dollars each. The premises of the bank on Poyang Road, where the redemption is being held, are guarded by heavy armed forces.

The Chinese seaman, who was charged before Mr. W. Schofield, at the Kowloon Magistracy on Tuesday with demanding $15 with menaces from a shop foki and with misrepresenting himself as a police officer, was yesterday fined $100 on the first charge and $75 on the second.

In Penang, on October 31, a coolie employed by a Chinese goldsmith ran amok and injured the goldsmith, his wife, two children and another coolie, finally cutting his own throat. The injured are in hospital. It appears that the coolie received notice to leave and a quarrel arose.

Political circles in Berlin consider that Chancellor Marx's Essen speech opens the general election campaign. The Press commends his demand for an investigation of war guilt. The general tenor is that so long as Germany pays up she has a right to a fair hearing on any question affecting her national honour.

The bulk posting system has now been introduced for outward British mails to Malaya. This means (says the "Malay Mail") that wholesale booksellers and publishing firms at Home dispatch their goods to this country in bags addressed direct to their local agents. Sorting is eliminated and the postage is paid on the weight of the bag, sealed by the consignors, instead of on invidual parcels. A great saving of time and money is thus effected.

H.M.S. "Marazion" arrived in Shanghai on November 2 from Nagasaki.

Yesterday was the birthday of the Sikh prophet, Gri Guru Nanakdev Ji, and the local Sikh community celebrated the occasion at the Sikh Temple, Morrison Hill Road.

A social gathering will be held in St. John's Cathedral Hall, on Sunday, after Evensong (6 p.m.) A cordial welcome will be extended to all Service men and others. Music and light refreshments.

The Organisation Department of the General Political Office in Hankow has made a proposal to the local authorities to organise a recreation club for the officers and soldiers of the armies stationed at Wuhan.

According to a report from Tientao, the Manchurian district bordering Korea, a blizzard occurred there on the night of October 28 and snow lay three feet deep the following morning. The railway service was interrupted.

All departments of Messrs. A. S. Watson & Co., will be closed to-morrow. The Hong Kong Dispensary, Dispensing Department will be open for the purpose of dispensing prescriptions from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. and from 6 p.m. to 7.30 p.m.

The case in which J. D. Martinez, chief clerk at the Penang General Hospital, is charged with with breach of trust of three sums totalling $2,003, the property of the hospital, has been postponed to November 15 on bail of $1,000. Martinez is at present an inmate of the hospital suffering from appendicitis.

In connection with an armed robbery, which occurred on Oct. 13, in the vicinity of North Chekiang Road, a Chinese named San Ah-dien, 41 years of age, was brought up before Judge Wan and Deputy Stevens at the Special Provisional Court last Friday. The case was remanded for two weeks at the request of P.C. S. Henton, conducting the prosecution.

The s.s. "Somersetshire" arrived in Hong Kong yesterday with a large draft for the Northamptonshire Regiment on board. The transport berthed at Holt's Wharf. The troops disembarked early in the afternoon and marched via Nathan Road to Shamshuipo to join the regiment which is stationed there. The "Somersetshire" is expected to sail for Shanghai toward the end of this week, carrying the whole of the strengthened battalion of Northamptonshire to Shanghai.

The Chinese Press states that Hangchow is sending 28 military students to Japan for further study, on or about November 10.

The Nationalist military authorities have requested Shanghai Chinese merchants to contribute $500,000 to their war-chest within ten days.

"Felix" the cat is to be seen in the new programme at the Queen's Theatre to-day in an amusing new cartoon, "Felix Busts Into Business" which will be greatly enjoyed by those who like the antics of this quaint creature.

Readers are reminded that the Christmas and New Year parcel mails for Great Britain close at the General Post Office to-day, at 5 p.m. The mail will be despatched on the "Macedonia" on Saturday, and is due in London on December 15.

Secrets of diving and new dance-steps are demonstrated by experts in the topical gazette at the World Theatre to-day. Other items in this gazette are the World's Rought Riding Championship and ballet girls training on Skyscraper ledges.

The copper notes issued by the Hupeh Provincial Government will be soon put into circulation in Hankow according to the vernacular Press. It is authoritatively stated that five million notes of the 200-cash denomination have been already printed.

The Perak War Memorial and Cenotaph in the plot of vacant ground opposite the Ipoh railway station is now completed and will be unveiled on Armistice Day. There will be an impressive parade and the new G.O.C. will probably be present.

The Customs guard searching passengers' luggage at Bangkok one day recently when the North mail arrived, found a number of unstamped letters enclosed in an envelope in the leather hand-grip of a Chinese, who also had in his possession rolls of bank notes of big denomination. The man was taken to the General Post Office for investigation.

A Chinese ricsha coolie who was charged at the Singapore Assizes with murder in consequence of an affray in which he was alleged to have taken part with some others, was found not guilty by a special jury and acquitted. Accused was alleged to have hit the deceased over the head with a spanner, the wound afterward becoming septic and resulting in death. The jury found that there was insufficient evidence to support a conviction.

SOCIAL AND PERSONAL NEWS.

Dr. C. Lopez, of the District Hospital Klang, is proceeding early this month on transfer to Kuala Pilah.

Dr. Stanley Jones, who is lecturing at Bangkok, is a guest of Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Dunlop. He was received by H.R.H. Prince Damrong.

Mr. Kennedy, who came out from Home recently, has taken over charge of Enggor Coal Syndicate in succession to Mr. Murant, the late mine manager.

H.E. the High Commissioner and Lady Clifford will leave on November 13 by the "Sea Belle" for the F.M.S. They are not expected to return to Singapore for about two months.

Speaking at a farewell function given in his honour, Mr. N. K. Bain, District Officer, Kuala Kangsar, said that in two years he had worked under seven Residents and none of them had taken any interest in the Art School at Kuala Kangsar!

Captain Thompson, of the s.s. "Taishan," the Hong Kong, Canton and Macao Steamboat Company, will proceed on nine months' leave to Australia by s.s. "Taiping" today. He will be succeeded by Commdr. Prichard, R.D., R.N.R., from the s.s. "Kinshan."

The wedding of Miss Felicia Chisolm and Lieutenant George P. Howell, J., which took place on November 3 at the Cathedral of St. Mary and St. John, Manila, was one of the most charming which have taken place there for a long time. The bride is the daughter of Captain and Mrs. Edward N. Chisolm of Columbia, South Carolina, now stationed in Manila, and the bridegroom is the son of Colonel and Mrs. George P. Howell of Charleston, South Carolina, and is a 1923 graduate of West Point.

At the conclusion of the meeting of the Johore Executive Council on October 30, the Hon. Dato Mentri Besar and the members of the Council bade farewell to the Hon. Mr. J. V. Mills who was about to leave the State. The Dato Mentri Besar, in his remarks, said that he fully appreciated the good services rendered by Mr. Mills during his period as acting Legal Adviser in Johore and hoped to see him again in Johore. The Hon. Mr. W. Pryde, who has just returned from leave, resumed duties as Legal Adviser as from October 31.

Dr. Gnoh Lean Tuck (Wu Lien Teh) is expected in Penang about the middle of this month.

Commdr. Conway Hake arrived in the Colony on Tuesday from Sandakan, on leave. He is at present staying at the Hong Kong Hotel.

The Hon. Sir Hayes Marriott has returned to Singapore and resumed duties as Colonial Secretary and as a member of the Singapore Harbour Board as from October 22.

Father Coroado, the Vicar of the Portuguese Mission at Malacca, hurriedly motored down to Singapore to attend the funeral of Father Sapage, and he had hurriedly to return to Malacca for the funeral of Mr. N. Gomes.

An influential and representative meeting in Rangoon over which Justice Sir Benjamin Heald presided, decided to erect two statues of the Governor, Sir Harcourt Butler, in recognition of his services to Burma and the University.

Mr. E. A. Staines, Controller, Posts and Telegraphs, Perak, is to be entertained at a dinner by the Committee and the members of the Perak Club, Taiping, on the eve of his departure Home on furlough. Mr. Staines is Vice-President of the Club.

The first Presbyterian Minister for Perak was inducted at Ipoh, the Revs. W. Murray, G. H. Douglas, A. S. Stewart, R. D. Whitehorn and Mr. B. Purdy acting as a Presbyterian commission, when the Rev. Mr. Nicol was inducted to the local communion of 172 souls. A dinner held afterwards at the Station Hotel was largely attended.

Miss Carmen Pellicer, who was born and reared in Manila, was married on September 6, at Trinity Church, New York City, to Mr. John P. Phelan, who is with the Firestone Tyre and Rubber Co. and is also in business for himself. This wedding is the culmination of a romance which began at Akron, Ohio, a year ago. After a honeymoon trip to Atlantic City, Bermuda, Cuba, andd Europe, Mr. and Mrs. Phelan expect to be at home to their friends at Greenwich Village, New York City. Miss Maria Pellicer and Mrs. Phelan's mother have joined Mr. and Mrs. Phelan in New York, while Mrs. Shively, Mrs. Phelan's eldest sister, and her family have remained at Cuyahoga Faills, Ohio.

Mr. Robert M. J. Fellner has been provisionally recognised as Vice-Consul of the United States in Singapore.

The Colonial Auxiliary Forces Long Service Medal has been awarded to Major Bertie James Eaton, O.B.E., of the Selangor M.V.I.

Captain Hugo W. Osterhaus, U.S.N., arived in Manila on November 3 on the "President Jefferson." He is relieving Captain A. W. Johnson as commander of the U.S.S. "Richmond."

Captain and Mrs. A. W. Johnson and the Misses Caroline and Elvira Johnson sailed from Manila on November 4, on the "President Jefferson" for the United States, Captain Johnson completed his tour of duty in Asiatic waters.

Mr. and Mrs. Simon Feldstein sailed from Manila for Shanghai on November 4 on the "President Jefferson" for a brief vacation. They are meeting Major and Mrs. W. H. Anderson in Shanghai and returning with them on the "Empress of Canada" November 24.

The following appointments are notified in the Straits Government Gazette:—Mr. N. A. Sedwick to act as Assistant Treasurer, Penang; Mr. J. H. Pedlow to act as Protector of Chinese, Penang; Mr. S. M. Middlebrook to officiate as Asst. Protector of Chinese, Penang; Mr. F. L. Williams to act as Asst. Superintendent of Government Monopolies, Singapore; Mr. G. C. G. Muller to be a Police Magistrate, Singapore.

The death occurred at 132, Nathan Road on October 31, of Mr. Walter Henry Lamb, eldest son of the late Hon. Mr. Walter Lamb, of Sydney. Mr. Lamb, who had been unwell for some considerable time, was well known in Singapore where he had been residing for the past eleven years or so, after an active life spent in Australia. At one time he was assistant Censor of Films and up to a few years ago interested himself in tournaments at the Ladies' Lawn Tennis Club. On several occasions he acted as starter for the Singapore Turf Club. He was 68 years of age. Much sympathy will be extended to his widow and his daughters, Mrs. W. Meade, Mrs. A. P. Cameron, Mrs. Kennedy and Miss D. Lamb. He recently lost his brother, Mr. Leslie Lamb, who for 17 years was starter, for the Royal Calcutta Turf Club.

A WEEK'S PAPERS IN ONE

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The past week has seen a revival of the anti-British boycott in Canton, goods being seized and Chinese passengers from British steamers being searched by uniformed pickets on the West Bund. Up to now, however, the latter have not functioned on the river.

Sensation has followed sensation on the Chinese war fronts during the week. Hankow is in a perilous plight; the Nanking armies are closing in; but the "Christian General" who sent an "S.O.S." to Nanking seems to be in dire peril of having his own lines broken by the Northern armies. In other directions, however, all is not well with the Northern armies, and unless they make considerably more headway the Nanking forces will be able to claim large victories.

Communists have been giving trouble in Canton and Tokyo on the anniversary of the Russian revolution, whilst a serious riot occurred in Shanghai, where the "White Russians" stormed the Soviet Consulate.

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CHAMPION SWEEPSTAKES.

Yesterday was the third day of the Shanghai Autumn Race Meeting.

The big race was the Champion Sweepstakes, combined with which was the "Shaforce" Challenge Cup presented by the Officers of the British Defence Force in Shanghai. Messrs. Beith and Lemarchand's Charcoal won this event, ridden by Mr. Maitland.

Below will be found the first three winning numbers of tickets drawn in the "A" and "B" sections of the Sweepstakes.

Jockey honours, as well as those in respect of owners, were fairly equally divided, Mr. Maitland and Mr. Pote Hunt doing particularly well.

The meeting concludes on Saturday with the "Off-Day," when the programme will comprise nine races.

The results of yesterday's meeting follow:—

The Bubbling Well Cup: 1¼ Miles.

Mr. Liddell's Wheatcroft ... Mr. Bremner) 1
Mr. Toeg's Tyne II. ..... (Mr. Sokoloff) *2
Mr. Fred Elias's Firefly .... (Mr. Maitland) *2

*—Dead heat.
Time: 2mins. 38.4-5secs.

The Jessfield Handicap "A" Class: Nine Furlongs.

Mr. G. C. Purdue's Coeur de Leon ..... (Mr. Hughes) 1
Messrs. Bailey and Heard's Mad Hatter .. (Mr. Heard) 2
Miss Law's Kilmory ..... (Mr. Pote Hunt) 3
Time: 2mins. 23.4-5secs.

The Jessifield Handicap "B" Class: Nine Furlongs.

Mr. Day's Laleham ..... (Mr. Dallas) 1
Mr. J. V. Botelho's Adelphi .. (Mr. Wells Henderson) 2
Mr. Kenjoy's Kalfalla ..... (Mr. Brand) 3
Time: 2mins. 24.3-5secs.

The Pari-Mutuel Cup: 1 Mile.

Mr. Eve's Chilly Eve ..... (Mr. Pote Hunt) 1
Mr. Day's Poppyland ..... (Mr. Dallas) 2
Messrs. Winsome and Hasty's The Flamingo 3
Time: 2mins. 03.2-5secs.

The Sycee Stakes: 7 Furlongs.

Messrs. Winsome and Hasty's The Sparrow (Mr. McBain) 1
Mr. Mur-Hol's Pilgrim Boy .. (Mr. Encarnacao) 2
Mr. Day's Nyassaland ..... (Mr. Wells Henderson) 3
Time: 1min. 49secs.

The Jockey Cup: 1¼ Miles.

Mr. J. C. Greig's Magic ..... (Mr. Grieg) 1
Mr. Cemo's Smouldering Fire ... (Mr. Botelho) 2
Mr. and Mrs. A. V. Liddell's White Poppy (Mr. Bowern) 3

The Grand Stand Stakes: 1 Mile.

Messrs. P. M. Lancaster and W. A. White's Pat ..... (Mr. Brand) 1
Mr. Allan's Michigan ..... (Mr. Encarnacao) 2
Mr. F. B. Marshall's Cinchona Tree ..... (Mr. Maitland) 3
Time: 2mins. 05.4-5secs.

The "Shaforce" Challenge Cup: 1¼ Miles.

(Presented by officers of the British Defence Force) and The Champion Sweepstakes).
Messrs. Beith and Lemarchand's Charcoal ..... (Mr. Maitland) 1
We Two's Young Bill ..... (Mr. Pote Hunt) 2
Mr. Liddell's Wheatcroft ... (Mr. Bremner) 3
Time: 2mins. 37.1-5 secs.

The Winning Numbers.

The winning tickets in the "A" and "B" sections of the Champion Sweepstakes are:—

"A" Sweepstake.

No. 17206 ..... (1)
" 33615 ..... (2)
" 14976 ..... (3)

"B" Sweepstake.

" 9597 ..... (2)
No. 31337 ..... (1)
" 17908 ..... (3)

The Wayside Handicap: 1 Mile.

Mr. Cire's Busylight ..... (Mr. Pote Hunt) 1
Messrs. Robson and Kenjoy's Pride ..... (Mr. Brand) 2
V.D.T.'s Black and Blue .... (Mr. McBain) 3
Time: 2mins. 06.4-5secs.

The Pootung Handicap "A" —Class: 1 Mile.

Mr. Dunbar's Chesapeake Bay (Mr. Maitland) 1
Mr. Matsumoto's Nationalist II. ..... (Mr. Bremner) 2
Mr. Toeg's Ormonde ..... (Mr. Springfield) 3
Time: 2mins. 02.35-secs.

The Pootung Handicap "B" Class: 1 Mile.

Miss Law's Glen Roy ..... (Mr. Brand) 1
Mr. M. M. Sokoloff's Ilya Mourometz .. (Mr. Sokoloff) 2
Mr. H. M. Hind's Leviathan .. (Mr. Bremner) 3
Time: 2mins. 02secs.

TWO RESULTS: MELBOURNE CUP BETTING.

Sydney, Oct. 30.

The Victorian Derby resulted as follows:—

Trivalve 1
Statesman 2
Avant Courier 3

Betting: 7—4 on Trivalve, 33—1 Statesman, 5—1 Avant Courier.

The Melbourne Stakes resulted:—

Silvius 1
Amounis 2
Gothic 3

Betting: 9—2 Silvius, evens Amounis, 3—1 Gothic.

Silvius is owned by Sir Sidney Kidman, the cattle king, and is favourite for the Melbourne Cup.

Probably it is the hottest favourite in the history of the cup, being now 5—4. Trivalve is 4—1 and Murillo 5—1.

There are 26 starters. Backers lost thousands through the scratching of the favourite Pantheon on account of an injured leg.—"Straits Times."

LAWN TENNIS.

LADIES OPEN SINGLES CHAMPIONSHIP.

By beating Miss Enid Lo in the Chlalenge Round of the Open Singles Championship fo the Colony for Ladies yesterday, Mrs. Tottenham has won the Championship for the third year in succession.

The match was played on the United Services Recreation Club court and resulted in favour of Mrs. Tottenham after a splendid struggle by 7—5, 2—6 and 6—3.

It was mainly a base line game. The pace was exceptionally fast and the strain told visibly on them. Miss Enid Lo played with grit and showed good match winning qualities. Her shots had better length and faster pace and she went all out to win, but she lacked the control and experience of her opponent. She played brilliantly in the second set which she won. Time and again she scored aces and in long rallies more often came off winner. At this stage her defence was impregnable and although Mrs. Tottenham attacked Miss Lo was always ready.

Mrs. Tottenham relied more on brain work than hard hitting. In the beginning she adopted a defensive game and was content to return her opponent's shots, asserting herself only when down. That she was the more experienced player was plainly evident, but the chief factor in her success was her reserve. After the strain of the first two sets, she showed her best form in the third and final set in which she did not give her opponent much chance, judging and mixing up her shots with a skill worthy of the applause given her.

BOXING.

NEXT TOURNAMENT ON DECEMBER 3.

The next tournament of the Hong Kong Boxing Association, the second of the present season, has been fixed of Saturday December 3, but at present the programme has not been completed, as the arrival of the remainder of the warships from the North is awaited. The "Argus" and "Titania" are already here, but the 'Hawkins" and the "Witherington" are still to come.

SLATTERY RETAINS TITLE IN BUFFALO.

Buffalo, N. Y., Nov. 3.

Jimmy Slattery to-night retained the light heavyweight title by scoring a technical K. O. over Murray Pitlitz in the sixth round of a scheduled ten-round engagement.

Pitlitz was heavily hammered about the body and his eyes were nearly closed when the referee stopped the fight.—United Press.

CRICKET.

R.A.F. BEAT SCOTS GUARDS.

BRACE IN FORM.

On the Hong Kong C.C. ground yesterday afternoon the Royal Air Force beat the Scots Guards in a friendly match by 111 runs.

Capt. Erskine, Capt. Mayhill and Guardsman Hargreave contributed 100 for the Scots Guards, who were dismissed for 151 runs.

The Airmen replied by running up a total of 262 runs. Brace was the top scorer with 74 runs. Lieut. Hunt (46) and Lieut. Dale (45 retired) also batted well.

Scores:—

Scots Guards.

Capt. Murray, l.b.w., b Reeks	18
Gds. Chapman, c Mellor, b Brace	0
Capt. Tyringham, c and b Brace	1
Capt. Erskine, c Dale, b Fillock	36
Capt. Graham, b Brace	0
Lieut. Usher, c Mellor, b Reeks	0
Lieut. Caghill, c Hale, b Reeks	11
Capt. Mayhill, c Brace, b Fillock	33
Gds. Hargreave, not out	31
Gds. Stiven, run out	13
Gds. Hine, b French	0
Extras	8
Total	151

Bowling Analysis.

	R.	W.
Brace	51	3
French	17	1
Reeks	22	3
Dale	20	0
Fillock	37	2

Royal Air Force.

Lieut. Hunt, c Graham, b Stiven	46
W. Brace, b Erskine	74
L. A. C. Fillock, b Erskine	0
F/O. Mellor, c Usher, b Erskine	6
Lieut. Dale, retired	45
A. C. Reeks, b Chapman	3
Lieut. Hale, c Hargrave, b Chapman	12
Flt./Lt. Farmer, st. Usher, b Tyringham	21
L. A. C. Fletcher, b Erskine	9
A. C. Moran not out	7
L. A. C. French, b Hine	5
Extras	34
Total	262

Bowling Analysis.

	R.	W.
Erskine	50	4
Stiven	38	1
Hargreave	50	0
Chapman	39	2
Murray	15	0
Hine	31	1
Tyringham	7	1

UNIVERSITY II. v. "TAMAR."

The following will represent the University 2nd XI in a League match against H.M.S. "Tamar" C.C. to-morrow (Friday), at 2 p.m. on the University ground:—F. Hiptoola (captain), W. M. Gittins, M. B. Osman, A. Baker, A. B. Sulieman, B. N. Sudan, N. P. Karanjia, S. R. Kermani, K. T. Loke, A. Chan Fook, and H. T. Barma.

Reserve: I. Tajima.
Scorer: G. E. Yoch.

HONG KONG ELECTRIC R.C. v. CLUB DE RECREIO.

This League match will be played on the Club de Recreio ground at King's Park to-morrow (Friday).

Electric R.C. team:—H. F. Akehurst, L. de Rome, J. C. Dunbar, C. E. Gahagan, H. S. Jones, W. N. H. Murdock, W. B. Muskett, S. J. C. Stanesby, G. G. Thomson, G. Vickers, and J. R. Way (capt.). Reserves: J. F. Lunny and S. Deacon.

HONG KONG ELECTRIC R.E. v. CRAIGENGOWER C.C.

This match, a friendly, will be played on the Craigengower ground on Saturday.

Electric R.C. team:—H. F. Akehurst, S. Deacon, L. de Rome, J. C. Dunbar, H. S. Jones, J. F. Lunny, W. N. H. Murdock, W. B. Muskett, S. J. C. Stanesby, G. Vickers, and J. R. Way (capt.). Reserves: S. J. Clarke, and W. H. Arnold.

THE INTERPORT TEAM.

[To the Editor of the "China Mail."]

Sir,—"Cricketer's" letter scarcely deserves a reply as he assumed that I missed the point in "Critic's" letter whereas I dwelt upon the tone of it. The first paragraph of "Cricketer's" effort may be dismissed by the reiteration of my assertion that I am not prepared to discuss whether the young cricketer concerned should be included or not. That is a question between The Selection Committee and "Critic," and, had the latter merely given his opinion that his batsman should have a place in the team, I would not have written, although the advisability of such unasked and, possibly, unwanted publicity for a promising sportsman from a third party is open to question. But the phraseology of the last paragraph of "Critic's" letter, to which I have every right to object, savours of begging, and "Cricketer" should confine his attack on this point, everything else being irrevelant to the issue. To use his own language, that is the real point.

The second paragraph of "Cricketer's" essay begins by labelling my letter a wild outburst and ends by asserting that I drew an absurd conclusion. I beg to submit, Sir, that in newsaper controversies no purpose can be served by using such adjectives at random.

Yours, etc.,
SPORTSMAN.

Hong Kong, Nov. 9.

GOLF.

ST. ANDREW'S v. ST. GEORGE'S.

GOVERNOR'S SHIELD DRAW.

The annual match between St. George's Society and St. Andrew's Society will be played on Sunday. Foursomes will be played in the morning, and singles in the afternoon. In the morning times for starting have been reserved for the from 9.20 to 10.02.

The teams are:—

St. Andrew's Society.—Capt. Erskine and C.C. Stark; E. Young and G. Murray; R. L. Moncrieff and R. E. Macdougall; W. Ironside and T. S. Whyte-Smith; W. G. Dunbar and T. L. Christie; C. B. Robertson and E. D. Black; K. S. Robertson and D. G. Bruce; J. S. MacLaren and D. Forbes.

St. George's Society.—T. D. E. Pendered and L. G. S. Dodwell; Capt. H. F. Bloxham and L. R. Andrews; F. J. de Rome and Capt. E. W. Morris; T. G. Bennett and H. G. Sheldon; J. W. Franks and Lt.-Col. E. D. Matthews; A. E. Lissaman and A. Leach; G. S. Archbutt and M. M. Maas; C. A. Peel and E. R. Hallifax.

The Governor's Shield.

The draw for the Governor's Shield competition has just been made. The first round has to be played on or before December 4; the second round on or before December 16; the third round by January 3; the semi-final on or before February 15; and the final by January 29.

The draw for the first round is as under:—

Hong Kong and Shanghai Bank (V. M. Grayburn, 15 and H. G. Hegarty, 10) v. R.A.M.C. (Majors Lynch, 12 and Stevenson, 14) bye.

B.A.T. (S. M. Mayes, 17 and F. Cowherd, 15) v. Kowloon-Canton Railway (C. D. Lambert, 18 and J. Smith, 11).

Canadian Pacific (Capt. Davison 18 and T. C. Monaghan, 13) v. Govt. Medicals (Drs. Newton, 8 and Valentine, 12).

Dodwell & Co. (T. G. Weall, 14 and L. G. S. Dodwell, 5) v. Linstead & Davis (S. T. Butlin, 11 and C. B. Brown, 18).

Mackinnon, Mackenzie (W. L. Dunbar, 8 and H. E. Standage, 18) v. Wilkinson & Grist (D. H. Blake, 15 and G. S. Hugh-Jones, 11).

Vacuum Oil Co. (I. H. Geare, 10 and A. Leach, 11) v. 2nd Scots Guards (Capts. Erskine, scr. and Tyringham, scr.).

University (Professors Roffey, 10 and Redmond, 6) v. Harry Wicking & Co. (J. Owen Hughes, 18 and H. Remington, 18).

South British Insurance Co. (F. S. Harrison, 9 and J. F. Kennedy, 18) v. Bank Line (A. H. Penn, 18 and D. Forbes, 14).

Jardine, Matheson & Co. (W. B. Cornaby, 14 and A. Piercey 18) v. Education Department (F. J. de Rome, 7 and A. O. Brawn, 10).

A.P.C. (T. D. E. Pendered, 3 and R. Young, 8) v. Butterfield and Swire (W. Ironside, 9 and J. W. Robertson 14).

Union Insurance Co. (J. W. Alabaster, 12 and A. Sommerfelt, 12) v. Davie Boag & Co. (J. D. Kinnaird, 9 and W. A. Stewart, 16).

Prison Department (J. W. Franks, 7 and H. F. Bloxham, 6) v. Chartered Bank (T. L. Christie, 9 and D. J. Gilmore, 12).

Johnson, Stokes & Master (L. R. Andrews, 5 and T. G. Bennett, 8) v. Royal Artillery (Capts. le Gros, 8 and R. F. Wright, 11).

R.A.S.C. (Capts. Morris, 6 and Drysdale, scr) v. P.W.D. (C. B. Robertson, 12 and A. E. Lissaman, 8).

China Underwriters (H. R. Sturt, 18 and A. J. Frank, 18) bye.

G. M. Young Cup.

The draw in the G. M. Young Cup competition has been made as under:—

Taikoo v. Union Insurance Co.

Chartered Bank v. Asiatic Petroleum Co.

Jardine, Matheson & Co. v. Mackinnon, Mackenzie & Co.

Dodwell & Co. v. Hong Kong and Shanghai Bank.

The first round has to be played on or before January 3, the second round by January 22, and the semi-final by February 15.

CHESS.

CAPABLANCA DRAWS 26TH GAME.

Buenos Aires, Yesterday.

The 26th game between Capablanca and Alekhine was drawn.—Reuter's American Service.

DUNDEE FAILS TO APPEAR.

Los Angeles, Nov. 3.

Ace Hudkins, of Nebraska, claimed the world's welterweight championship here to-night when Joe Dundee, of Baltimore, the title holder, failed to show up for a ten round fight for the crown.

Pandemonium reigned at the ringside when the fans were told that the fight for which they paid $10 a seat was not coming off. The crowd threatened to riot until police interfered.

It was rumoured that Dundee refused to fight when he was not paid his guarantee. Others said that he refused to fight because of a difference over the selection of the referee.—Associated Press.

HOCKEY.

VISITING JAPANESE TEAM BEATEN.

ARMY'S. 5—1 VICTORY.

The Waseda University touring hockey team from Japan played a team representing various military units in the Colony yesterday, when they were defeated by five goals to one.

In the first half particularly, the Army team was far superior to the visitors in attack and defence, but in the second half the Japanese team improved, although they never gave the Army defence a great deal of trouble.

The score of five to one is a fair indication of the run of the play. The Army's goals were scored by Sergt. Williams (2), Sergt. Handscombe (2), and Lieut. Hankey (1).

The teams were:

Army: Capt. Renny, Lt. Smith, Dr. Mills, Lt. Hankey, Capt. Webb, Revd. Murray, Lt. Wright, Sergt. Handscombe, Lt. Burton, Sergt. Williams, Lt. Dickinson.

Waseda University: K. Ono, T. Kanao, K. Nishida, M. Nakajima, T. Okada, K. Hirai, K. Nasaka, M. Tomonaga, T. Hirose, Y. Ohkobo, S. Minakami.

Club v. Waseda University.

The match between the Hong Kong Hockey Club and the Waseda University should be well worth watching. A close and keen game is anticipated. The match will be played at King's Park and the bully-off will be at 4.30 p.m.

The following will represent the Club: W. J. Lockhart-Smith; J. E. Henry, D. Lyon; L. M. S. Lloyd, A. A. Dand (Capt.), E. L. Sim; G. B. Slipper, T. Whitley, B. W. Sampson, W. Woodward and G. P. Lammert.

Y.M.C.A. v. Recreio.

The following will represent the Y.M.C.A. in their hockey match against the Club de Recreio at King's Park this evening.—Harvey, Robinson, Ashby, Sands, Hyde, Baldwin, Munn, Lockhart-Smith, Sampson, Faers and Gardner.

FAMOUS FIGHTER DEAD.

Rochester, Minnesota, Nov. 1.

Spider Kelly, one-time famous fighter and later a trainer of notable pugilists, died here to-day.—United Press.

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On demand	134¼
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On demand	87
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Chinese Copper Cash	6% pm.
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LONDON EXCHANGES.

London, Yesterday.

Paris	124.05
New York	4.87 3/32
Brussels	34.94
Geneva	25.25
Amsterdam	12.07¼
Milan	89⅜
Berlin	20.44
Stockholm	18.10
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Banks.		
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do. Lon. Reg.	£120	n
Chartered Bank	$20¾	b
Mercantile A. & B.	$31¾	n
do. C.	$13¾	n
P. & O. Bank	£10	n
Bank of East Asia	$62	n
Insurances.		
Canton Insurance	$540	b
Union Insurance	$292½	b & sa
North China Insurance	T143	n
Yangtze Insurance	M.$46½	b
China Underwriters	$1.20	s
China Fire Insurance	$215	n
H.K. Fire Insurance	$590	b
Shipping.		
Douglases	$35½	b
H.K. Steamboats	$21	s
H.K. Tugs & Lighters	$1.90	n
Indo-Chinas (Pref)	$30	n
do. (Def.)	$48	n
Shell Transports	89/-	n
Water-boats	$17	n
Mining.		
Benguets	2¼	n
Kailan Mining Ad.	63/-	b
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H.K. & K. Wharves	$120	b
H.K. & W. Docks	$35	s
China Providents	$4	n
Hongkews	$147	b
New Engineerings	$4¾	b
Shanghai Docks	T90	b
Cotton Mills.		
Ewo Cottons	T7.40	b 7½ s
Oriental Cottons	$2.20	n
S'hai Cottons (Old)	T46½	b
do. (new)	T21	b
Lands, Hotels & Bldgs.		
H.K. & S. Hotels	6½	s
Hongkong Lands	$56	b
Shanghai Lands	T117½	b
Humphreys Estates	$12.60	b & sa
Hongkong Realties	$6¾	b
H.K. Territorials	$1½	s
Prince's Buildings	$120	b
Public Utilities.		
H.K. Tramways	$20	b
Peak Trams (old)	$14	s
do. (new)	$7	s
Star Ferries	$54	n
China Lights (comb.)	$12	b
do. (old)	$9½	n
do. (new)	$6¼	n
H.K. Electrics	$54	b 54½ s [54/54½ sa
Macao Electrics	$44	b
H.K. Telephones	$3.65	b
China Buses	T6½	b
Singapore Tractions	12/9	n
Industrials.		
China Sugars	$13	n
Malabon Sugars	$30	s
Canton Ices	$5	n
Cements (comb.)	$7	s
do. (old)	$6.60	n
do. (new)	$1	s
H.K. Ropes (old)	$10	n
do. (new)	T5	n
United Asbestos	$12	s
Stores, &c.		
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Lane, Crawfords	$5	s
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"I know that some people who come to these big City halls expect magnificent banquets," he said, "but I hope you will take pot luck and drink as much tea and coffee and eat as much bread and butter as you like."

"As a social reformer, and as an inspirer of the desire for better things which has proved so fruitful of progress in our own day and generation, the civilised world is greatly indebted to Dickens," Sir Charles said in his presidential address.

"In the Dickens Fellowship we have no foreign army of devoted adherents, fighting a rearguard action on behalf of a lost cause. We have not to defend an obscure and well-nigh forgotten cult in an alien age. We do not jealously preserve some precious and subtle magic of which we are the high priests and of whose secret we alone possess the key. If that were so I should not be here, for I am before all things simple and normal in my literary affections. No; the Fellowships concerns itself with no such dismal task. It is select in the sense that it is composed of the most consciously enthusiastic students of the great master. But in its activities it is the spearhead of a great democratic army, too numerous to be counted, and scattered far and wide over the habitable globe.

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"Were Charles Dickens to come amongst us again he would rejoice to find that so much of the avoidable misery of the social life of his day which he pictured with such generous indignation has gone for ever. He appealed powerfully to the social conscience of the nation, and the better conditions that exist to-day are in part the outcome of his work. In his final message to the world he said: 'I rest my claim to the remembrance of my country upon my published works,' and no claim has ever been more splendidly justified in the event."—"Manchester Guardian."

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VALUE OF POETRY.

MAN'S SOUL HUNGERS FOR BEAUTY.

"If we left music, poetry and art from the New England, we should find that man could not live by bread alone," said Mr. Sydney Walton in a speech reported in the "Oxford Chronicle." "His soul hungered for beauty, and he would not be content without it, however perfect his material equipment. Without beauty humanity could not live.

"We must minister beauty to the people, and to do that we must steep our souls in the poets. Our objective must be a more beautiful, a more prosperous Britain. The poet could enrich and enlarge our imagination. 'Do not be a slave to Shakespeare merely because he is famous,' said the lecturer.

"Great poets needed great audiences, too. The poet would quicken our imagination, give us poise and balance in our daily work, bringing the the invisible and redressing the balance when the visible tangible responsibility of the day tended to depress. We would thereby keep alive the sense of wonder which was the very gate and portal of knowledge and understanding.

"They would keep us permanently aware of the great truths; they would witness to us that the British were a singing people, that king and commoner were united in the commonwealth of song, and finally they would teach us the great lesson confirmed in history that nothing great was achieved even in practical affairs without a dream and a song."

NEW BIOGRAPHIES.

LATEST LIFE OF EDMOND BURKE.

Several biographical and historical works worth noting have recently appeared at Home. Among literary biographies there is "Francis Thompson: the Poet of Earth in Heaven," by Mr. R. L. Megroz, whose scope is indicated by its sub-title, "A Study in Poetic Mysticism and the Evolution of Love Poetry." A new life of "Edmund Burke" has been written by Mr. Bertram Newman, a young author who had already won a good reputation by his biography of his namesake, the Cardinal. This is a longer book than Morley's study of the same subject in the "English Men of Letters" series, and it gives more of the detailed facts of Burke's career. So much fresh light has been cast on Burke since 1870, when Morley's little volume appeared, that Mr. Newman's work is amply justified and will render a useful service. In "A Constitutional King" Sir H. M. Imbert-Terry does his best to persuade us to revue the traditional conception of the personality and politicies of George the First.

Macmillan's "Great English Churchmen" series has made a good start with biographies of Thomas Cranmer, by Dr. A. C. Deane; John Wesley, by Dr. W. H. Hutton; Archbishop Laud, by Mr. A. S. Duncan-Jones; and Thomas Arnold, by Dr. R. J. Campbell. As the title of the series suggests, Dr. Campbell's study of Arnold pays more attention to his religious and ecclesiastical position than to his place in the history of English public chool education. His attitude was a distinctly individual one. He was strongly opposed to the Tractarians, while his vehement Erastianism provoked the intense dislike of the Evangelicals. Arnold's views of the relations of Church and State figure prominently. Dr. Frederick J. Powicke has embodied the researches of many years in a life of Richard Baxter, of which the second and final volume has just appeared.

AUTHORS' EARNINGS.

JERMOME K. JEROME'S £5,000.

Many of his admirers were probably very surprised to learn that the late Jerome K. Jerome left only £5,000. The author fo "Three Men in a Boat" had a very long vogue and his books were translated into many foreign languages. In addition, he wrote at least one phenomenally successful play. Yet he died a comparatively poor man. Why? Two possibilities suggest themselves: first, he lived up to his income; second, he had a very much smaller income than the reading public would imagine.

The earnings of authors are not easily gauged. Fame does not always bring in the shekels, while, on the other hand, obscurity as a literary light sometimes goes with an immense output of popular writing that gives its author a princely income. For example, the late Charles Garvice, one of the most delightful of men, if a writer of the third rank, left a vast fortune. Sir William Watson, perhaps the finest living poet, on the other hand, has never made an income that would have drawn an envious sigh from a clerk. Walter de la Mare, most delightful of poets with admirers all over the world, was glad to accept a Civil List Pension as was W. H. Davies, the whimsical little Welshman who knows so much of the birds and hedgerows.

The late John Davidson, considered a poet of the first rank by some, found life so impossible that he committed suicide. In striking contrast, the American rhymer, Walt Mason, whose daily contributions of verse appear in hundreds of Transatlantic newspapers, has admitted that he earns an income running into six figures — in dollars.

What do the most famous of living authors earn? At the head of the list come probably G. Bernard Shaw, Sir James Barrie and H. G. Wells, all men of the first rank of literary artists.

Disappointed scribes often claim that there are no rewards for the writer unless he panders to the taste of the vulgar herd. This is demonstrably wrong and the men whose names I have given are evidence of the fact. An American connected with a Mid-West newspaper, over in London on holiday, recently conceived the notion of getting for his newspaper an exclusive article by Bernard Shaw instead of sharing a syndicated contribution.

He suggested $500 for a column contribution. He was told that Mr. Shaw never wrote for so low a figure as that. After cabling his owners he offered $2,000. He was amazed to learn that Mr. Shaw was not interested then as he was busy on a book about women and socialism!

It is not always the literary man of eminence who demands and gets high prices. Sir William Orpen, who gets his thousands for his brilliant portraits, will not write a newspaper article under £50! Mr. G. K. Chesterton, however, is content with a very much more modest fee, as are many famous literary men.

What does H. G. Wells earn? Probably £25,000 a year. This does not mean that he produces literary work of that value every year. As Bernard Shaw has pointed out, a writer's output is capital, since it is his all and when he is "written-out" he has nothing more. Thus, in the case of famous or popular writers, the work of other years continues to bring in tribute from steady sales and theatrical royalties.

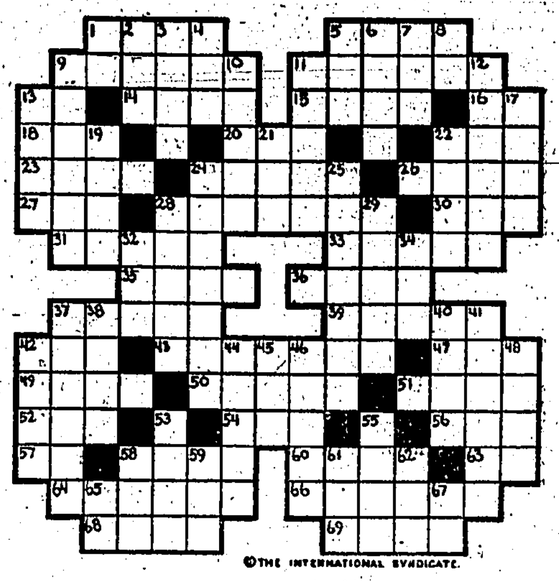
Sir James Barrie has been credited with an income of £20,000; "G.B.S." could probably top that by 50 per cent., while among the "popular" writers (which does not mean that they lack literary talent) one may name Edgar Wallace, one of the most remarkable of writing men, as a tremendously lucrative producer.

Only a few names have been mentioned here. Do they suggest that writing is a splendid way to immense fortune? The other day, at the annual meeting of the Institute of Journalists, the claims made by correspondence schools for the monetary possibilities of the amateur in Grub Street were deplored as misleading and mischievous. They are.

Writing, like anything else, is a technical job. Readers often throw aside a newspaper or magazine with the remark: "I could do as well as that." But they deceive themselves. Writing is not so easy as it looks, and the thousands who have retired from the experiment in the literary or journalistic life heart-broken, prove the fact.—"The Statesman."

DAILY CROSS-WORD PUZZLE.

(This cross-word puzzle has been made by an expert but our readers are warned to look out for occasional phonetic spellings, such as harbor, plow, and altho.)



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HORIZONTAL
1-A flower
5-Game of chance
9-Of golden color
11-Exhibiting ostentatiously
13-To happen
14-Quote
15-Trained
16-Transportation line (abbr.)
18-Boy
20-Seek in marriage
22-Enemy
23-What important mountains are in Russia?
24-Studies
26-Plunge into water
27-Always (contr.)
28-Set straight
30-Conducted
31-Lure
33-Horseman
35-Verbal
36-Ring around the moon
37-Precious stone
39-Small coin.
42-Dried grass
43-Rubbed gently
47-Over (poet.)
49-Frank
50-Pronoun
51-Remain
52-Writing tablet
54-Boy's name

HORIZONTAL (Cont.)
56-Rather than
57-Among
58-What type of image is worshipped?
60-Absent
63-What maritime province has Halifax for a capital? (abbr.)
64-Pleasing to the smell
65-Coat flaps
68-What was the most famous city of Phoenicia?
69-Bird domicile

VERTICAL
1-Flemish (abbr.)
2-Lacquer
3-On what does the earth revolve?
4-Procure
5-A tree
6-Range
7-Freed
8-Preposition
9-Dreaded
10-More recent
11-Dwelling
12-What was President Cleveland's first name?
13-Color of the sky
17-Tall grass stem
19-Risk

VERTICAL (Cont.)
21-Boat propeller
22-Letter holder
24-Who occupy thrones?
25-Rubs roughly
28-Heart (pl.)
29-Covered with tiles
32-What animal makes dairies possible?
34-Signor
37-Makes black and glossy.
38-Scrutinized
40-Short letter
41-Longs for.
42-What Indians practice snake dances?
44-Turbid
45-Pronoun
46-What is a South African village called?
48-Kinsman of wheat (pl.)
53-Scent
55-Narrow band
58-Clinging evergreen plant
59-From what do we get iron?
61-Pale
62-Assent
66-Close to
67-A military officer (abbr.)

SUGGESTIONS FOR SOLVING CROSS-WORD PUZZLES

Start out by filling in the words of which you feel reasonably sure. These will give you a clue to other words crossing them, and they in turn to still others. A letter belongs in each white space words starting at the numbered squares and running either horizontally or vertically or both.

(The solution of the above cross-word puzzle will appear in to-morrow's issue along with a new cross-word puzzle.)

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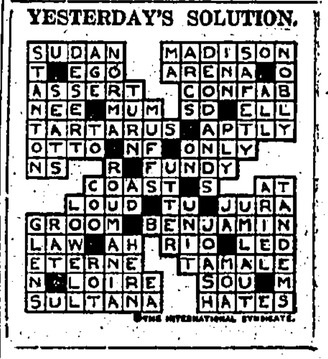

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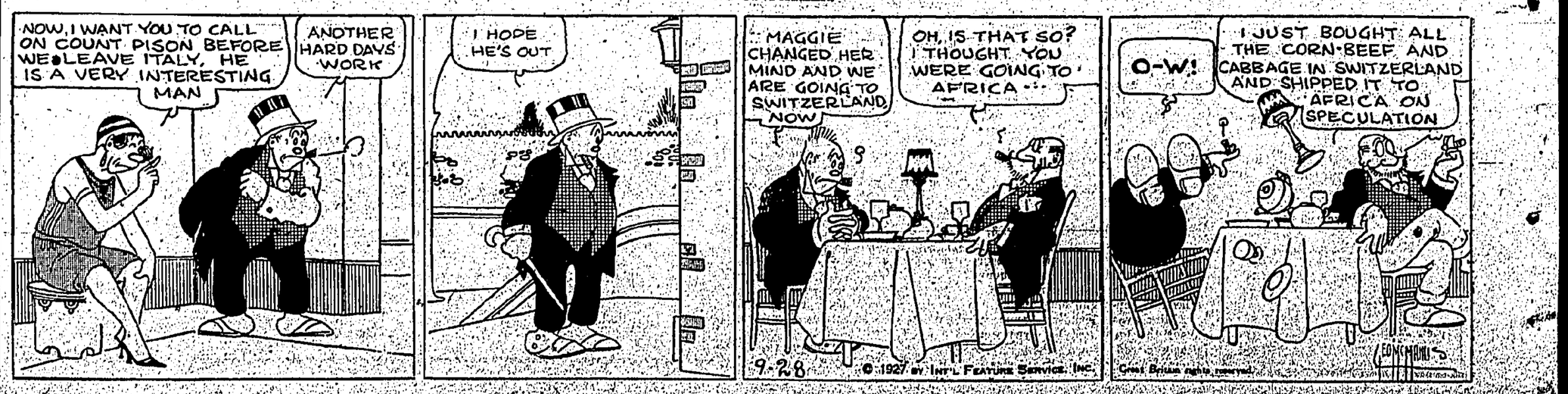

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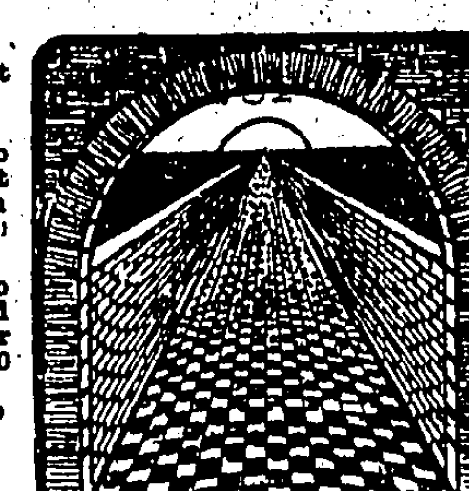

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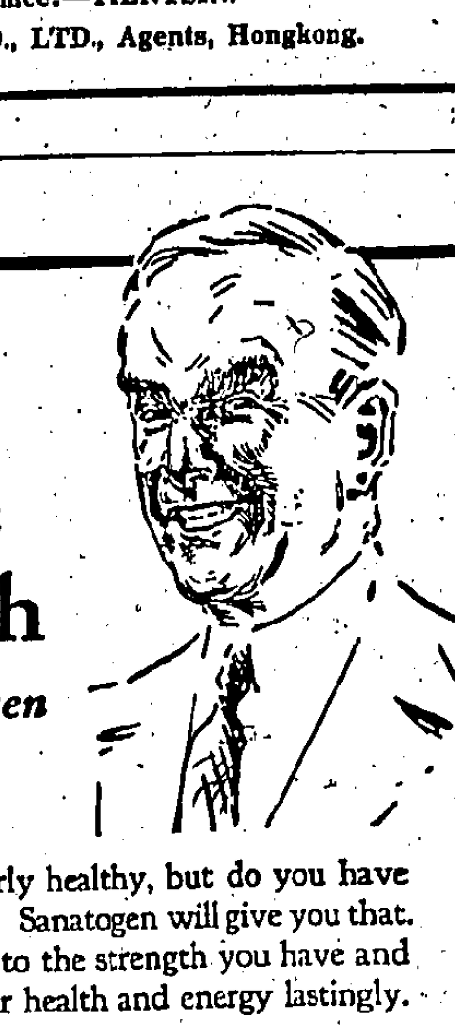

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CABARET "ROW."

U. S. SOLDIER CONVICTED OF MANSLAUGHTER.

SEVEN YEARS' JAIL.

By the required two-thirds vote of all members present, the ballot, being taken in secret, the general Court-Martial in Manila presided over by Brigadier General Lucius R. Holbrook on November 4 decided against the charge of murder on which private James M. Brown, Medical Department, was "not guilty of the charge" of murder of Edward Van Ness, U. S. N., was arraigned, and handed down a verdict of manslaughter. Brown was sentenced to seven years' imprisonment.

The Court's findings as read by the President proclaim that Brown was "not guilty of the charge" which, laid under the 92nd Article of War, specified murder as the offence and permitted the death penalty, but "guilty of a violation of the 93rd Article of War," which provides punishment for manslaughter, among other offences. Brown was also found guilty of the specification under the original charge, with the exception of the words "with malice aforethought and with deliberate intent."

After further deliberation, the Court, by the same majority, voted sentence which includes dishonourable discharge from the military service of the United States; forfeiture of all pay and allowances due or to become due, and confinement at hard labour at such place as the reviewing authority may designate, for seven years.

PERSHING'S SON.

FRESHMAN AT YALE 'VARSITY.

New Haven, Conn., Nov. 2.

Warren Pershing, only son of the Commander of the A.E.F., in the War, is among the freshmen who recently started their four year courses at Yale University.

Young Pershing held high rank as a student and was on the crew and the football team at Phillips Exeter Academy, where he was graduated last spring. His interest has been directed toward mechanics rather than toward military affairs, so far, at least.—Associated Press.

MRS. GRAYSON.

ABANDONED FLIGHT ACROSS ATLANTIC.

New York, Nov. 3.

After experiencing many adverse developments, including three false starts, Mrs. Frances Grayson to-day finally abandoned her projected trans-Atlantic flight to Copenhagen this year. She announced that she had suspended negotiations with Bern T. Balchen to pilot the 'plane.—Associated Press.

WHEN DREADED CROUP COMES.

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FLOODS THREAT.

ANXIETY AT KUALA LUMPUR RELIEVED.

TWO RIVERS SUBSIDE.

Kuala Lumpur, Nov. 1.

The Klang and Gombak rivers have subsided a good deal this morning. Anxiety as to flooding is temporarily relieved.

An earlier message stated:—

With the daily downpour Kuala Lumpur people are at present in constant fear of being overtaken by floods.

There was heavy rain again during the night and the Klang and Gombok rivers have been rising all day. By noon the water had reached the girders of all the bridges and a portion of Ampang Street was inundated.

At four o'clock to-day (October 31) the Kampong Attap bridge was under water while the M.V.I. headquarters, which is quite close by, was submerged to a height of about three feet.

In Brickfields Road several families have had to leave their houses and conditions are stated to be pretty bad in Kampong Bahru.

A portion of Circular Road is well under water as is also practically half of Yap Quan Seng Road on the northern side of the town.

The outlook is gloomy since the real rainy season has hardly set in yet.

WELSH FLOODS.

RAINS CAUSE DAMAGE TO MINES.

Cardiff, Wales, Nov. 3.

Hundreds of homes and many coal mines were flooded here to-day as a result of recent torrential rains.

Railways and telegraphs are interrupted.—United Press.

NOT WANTED.

JAPAN OBJECTS TO SOVIET AMBASSADOR.

Tokyo, Nov. 3.

Christian Rakovsky, former Soviet Russian Ambassador in Paris who was recalled at the request of the French Government, will not be satisfactory to Japan as Ambassador in Tokyo succeeding Valerian Dovgalovsky, it was indicated at the Foreign Office.

Dovgalevsky was named Soviet Ambassador to France following Rakovsky's recall and it was suggested Rakovsky might be sent to the Tokyo post. Japan, however, will have none of Rakovsky, fearing he might duplicate support of communist propaganda in this country as he was charged with doing in France.—United Press.

CRIME DETERRENT.

TAFT WANTS QUICKER ACTION.

Washington, Nov. 3.

A legislative overhauling of criminal court procedure in order to more quickly punish law violaters was advocated as a crime deterrent by Chief Justice Taft to-day before the national crime commission. Justice Taft said that the country needed more policemen, and legislation to produce quicker information and trial and to reduce delays caused by the counsel of convicted men.—Associated Press.

SOVIET ACTIVITY.

PENETRATING SPHERE OF JOHN BULL.

TREATIES AIMED AT BRITAIN.

London, Nov. 3.

Recent Soviet Russian efforts to penetrate Great Britain's sphere of influence in Persia have been brought to the fore as a result of three developments in Russo-Persian relations:—

1.—Persia's cutting of Britain's inter-Empire air route from Cairo to Karachi, which was allegedly due to Russo-German machinations.

2.—Conclusion of six Russo-Persian treaties of friends and non-aggression and commerce.

3.—Appointment of two Germans and two Swiss to high advisory posts in Persians economic and finance departments to the exclusion of British.

Though Russia appears on the surface to be unconnected with these appointments, it is believed that she has a hand in them.

According to information from authoritative sources, Britain's interest in Persia is solely concerned with the maintenance of Persia's complete independence and freedom from foreign domination in her internal politics.

This is similarly said to apply to Afghanistan, since both constitute the "back door" to India.

It is pointed out that both countries have long been fields for Russian efforts to oust British influence. Recent moves are therefore characterised merely as another manœuvre on the part of Russia to embarrass Britain.

But other quarters are disposed to view the situation as more serious. It is noteworthy that the King of Afghanistan is due to visit London in December, but authoritative circles point out also that a visit to Paris and Berlin is projected, with probably Moscow as well, thus forestalling over-hasty conclusions as to the purpose of the visit.

It is generally believed that the conclusion of the recent Russo-Persian treaties is not connected with the current Turkish threats to Persia over the border bandit raids.—United Press.

P. I. GOVERNOR.

STIMSON BOOM IS REVIVING.

Washington, Nov. 3.

High officials in the War Department to-day said that the appointment of the Governor-General of the Philippines will be delayed until the opening of Congress.

This revived speculation on the point as to whether Henry L. Stimson, former Secretary of War and recently President Coolidge's personal investigator in Nicaragua, is the man whom the Administration has in mind for the Manila position.

This possibility came to the fore because of the fact that Stimson is the only possibility over whom a Senatorial fight has been forecast.—United Press.

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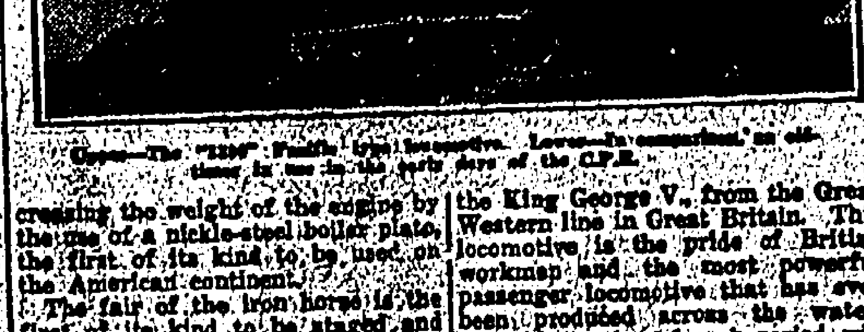

Upper—The "2300" Pacific type locomotive. Lower—In comparison, an old-timer in use in the early days of the C.P.R.

What is anticipated as the greatest exhibition of present-day and old-time railway locomotives and general railway equipment was held in Boston during the Centenary Exhibition and Pageant of the Baltimore and Ohio Railroad, September 24 to October 8.

Canadian interest in this display was drawn by reason of the fact that the Canadian Pacific Railway was represented at this exhibition by one of their "2300" Pacific type locomotives, the latest and fastest engine on the Company's lines. This engine, which has already gone forward to Baltimore, represents a type produced by the Company in 1926. The main feature of this engine is the 25 per cent. increase in boiler pressure, bringing the pressure up to 250 pounds per square inch. This was attained without materially increasing the weight of the engine by the use of a nickle-steel boiler plate, the first of its kind to be used on the American continent.

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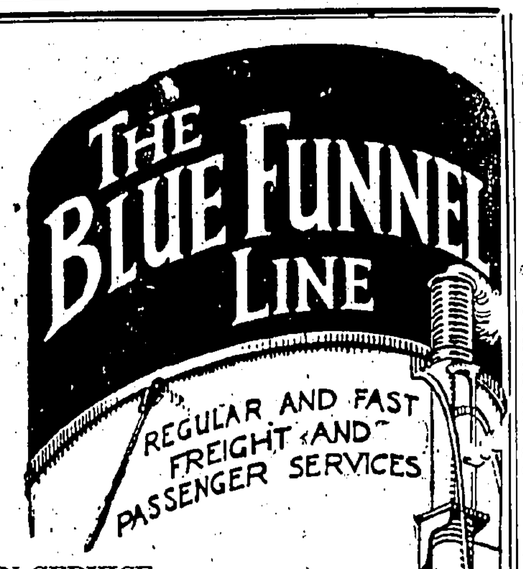

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*"CALCHAS"	15th Nov.	Marseilles, London, Rotterdam & Hamburg
"SARPEDON"	30th Nov.	Marseilles, London, Rotterdam & Glasgow
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"PATROCLUS"	27th Dec.	Marseilles, London, Rotterdam & Glasgow

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LIVERPOOL SERVICE.

"TITAN"	20th Nov.	Genoa, Havre, Liverpool & Glasgow
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"TALTHYBIUS"	24th Nov.	Victoria, Vancouver & Seattle.
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NEW YORK SERVICE.

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"MACHAON"	18th Dec.	New York, Boston & Baltimore

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There will be one collection from the pillar-box and one delivery o ofrdinary correspondence as on Sunday, and one delivery of registered correspondence from the G.P.O. at 9 a.m.

The Money Order Office will be entirely closed.

XMAS AND NEW YEAR PARCEL MAILS FOR GREAT BRITAIN.

Xmas and New Year Parcel Mails for Great Britain will be closed in the General Post Office at 5 p.m., the November 10, per s.s. "Macedonia."

This mail is due in London on December 15.

INWARD MAILS.

From	Per
THURSDAY. NOVEMBER 10	
Shanghai	Yingchow.
FRIDAY. NOVEMBER 11	
Europe via Suez (letters & papers, London 13th Oct. & Parcels 7th Oct.)	Mantua.
Japan & Shanghai	Macedonia.
SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 12	
Shanghai	Suiyang.
SUNDAY. NOVEMBER 13	
Straits	Hakusan Maru.
U.S.A., Canada, Japan & Shanghai	Pres. Lincoln.
MONDAY. NOVEMBER 14	
Manila	Emp. of Asia.
Manila	Pres. Grant.
THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 17	
Australia & Manila	Tango Maru.
FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 18	
Japan & Shanghai	Suwa Maru.

OUTWARD MAILS.

For	Per	
THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 10		
Bangkok	Apoey	3.30 p.m.
Samshui & Wuchow	Wing Hung	4 p.m.
Formosa	Busho Maru	5 p.m.
Hoihow	Soon Ann	5 p.m.
Fort Bayard	Sun Kong	5 p.m.
Straits, Ceylon, India, Mauritius, E. & S. Africa, Aden, Egypt & Europe via Marseilles—due Marseilles, 9th Dec. and due London, 15th Dec. K.P.O.:—Parcels 4.30 p.m. Registration (12th Nov.) 9 a.m. Letters (12th Nov.) 10 a.m. G.P.O.:—Parcels 5 p.m. Registration (12th Nov.) 9.45 a.m. Letters 10.30 a.m.	Macedonia.	
FRIDAY. NOVEMBER 11		
*Swatow, Amoy & Foochow	Hai Ching	9 a.m.
Shanghai, Japan & Euope via Siberia	Mantua	9 a.m.
Bangkok	Kwangtung	9 a.m.
Saigon	Wong Shek Kung	9 a.m.
Haiphong	Tonkin	9 a.m.
SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 12		
Hoihow, Pakhoi & Haiphong	Tean	9 a.m.
Manila	Pawlet	3.30 p.m.
Weihaiwei	Cheongshing	3.30 p.m.
Formosa, Shanghai, Japan, Honolulu & *San Francisco—due San Francisco, 9th Dec. & Europe via Siberia	Korea Maru	5 p.m.
Fort Bayard, Hoihow, Pakhoi & Haiphong	Hanoi	5 p.m.
Amoy	Antung	5 p.m.
SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 13		
Swatow, Amoy & Formosa	Kaijo Maru	9 a.m.

*Correspondence bearing vessel's name only.

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NOT WANTED!

"American" Bolshevist In Cairo.

CONSIDERED UNDESIRABLE.

Should Be Requested To Leave Country.

Cairo, Yesterday.

The Ministry of the Interior has communicationed with the American Legation pointing out that Seminouk, one of the Russian cotton delegates, who is a naturalised American, having failed to carry out his undertaking to refrain from Bolshevist propaganda, is considered undesirable and should be requested to leave the country.—Reuter.

Soviet Ship Released.

Alexandria, Yesterday.

The Mixed Court has ordered the release of the ship "Chicherine," which is departing immediately.—Reuter.

[Reuter wired from Cairo on October 30:—According to the newspaper "Al Ahram," the Russian steamer "Chicherin" was seized whilst leaving Alexandria for Odessa, with £90,000 worth of cotton recently purchased by Soviet representatives in Egypt. The newspaper adds that the Egyptian Government is unware of the seizure, which was ordered by the Mixed Court at the request of the Societe Maritime Egyptienne, the owners of the s.s. "Inkerman," which was seized by the Soviet early in September.]

ARMISTICE DAY.

EX-SERVICE MEN AND WOMEN.

The Secretary of the British Legion writes:—

"With reference to the letter of yesterday, may I trespass on your space to inform all ex-Service men and women that those who cannot arrange to be present at the Cathedral should collect at the Cenotaph corner near the statue to Sir Henry May before 10.45 a.m.

"I should also like to draw attention to Reuter's telegram of November 7, which states that ex-Service women are participating for the first time at the London ceremony, and it is hoped they will attend here.

Cafe Regent Carnival.

As announced in our advertising columns a Poppy Day Carnival is being held at the Cafe Regent to-morrow night, evening or fancy dress being optional. Special arrangements are being made for a very large number of patrons, who will be interested to know that 15 per cent. of the day's takings will be donated to Earl Haig's Fund.

Tables can be booked on personal application or by telephone.

Mercantile Marine.

Mr. W. J. Stokes, Branch Secretary, C. C. O. G. and M. E. G. C., writes:—

"Please grant me a few lines to remind the members of the Mercantile Marine that space is reserved for them and that they are cordially invited to be present at the Cenotaph at 11 a.m. to-morrow, Armistice Day, to assist in laying a wreath to the memory of their comrades who lost their lives in the War.

"Uniform optional, but desirable. Medals and decorations should be worn.

"I shall be pleased to meet all those who can possibly attend at the Star Ferry Wharf, Hong Kong, at 10.30 a.m. sharp, in order that we may be in position by 10.45 a.m."

For St. Dunstan's.

The collection at the Armistice Day service at St. John's Cathedral at 9.45 a.m. will be for St. Dunstan's Home for Blind Soldiers and Sailors.

American Observances.

Washington, Nov. 2.

President Coolidge to-day proclaimed November 11 as Armistice Day, to be reverently observed by the people of the United States in memory of the dead of the War.

The proclamation said that Armistice Day should be commemorated with thanksgiving for peace, with prayers for the dead and for continued peace, and with proper exercises designed to further the cause of peace.

Plans are being made in all the large cities of the country for a two minutes' silence period in addition to the other special observances of the day. Practically every city and town in the nation will have some sort of parade or other special ceremony.

The Armistice Day of 1927 will commemorate the ninth anniversary of the ending of the war, but any lessening of interest in war memories which distance might have brought is expected to be more than offset by the fact that more than 30,000 veterans visited the scenes of the Allied victories and defeats of the Western front, and made pilgrimages also to the mountainous Italian front, in company with their families.

American Legion posts will, as heretofore, take a prominent part in observance of the day.—United Press.

BRITAIN'S NAVY

New Construction Programme.

FIRST LORD'S STATEMENT.

This Year's Cruiser Programme Deferred.

Rugby, Yesterday.

The Hon. Mr. W. C. C. Bridgeman, First Lord of the Admiralty, replying to a question in the House of Commons, said that the following vessels were under construction for the Navy:—

One battleship.
Twelve cruisers.
Four river gunboats.
Six submarines.
Two minsweepers.
One submarine depot ship.
One repair ship.

The following vessels were

Mr. W. C. Bridgeman.

completed during the last twelve months:—

One battleship.
One minesweeper.
One submarine.

He was asked whether the cruisers which were to have been laid down this year had been delayed.

Mr. Bridgeman replied that the cruisers in this year's programme had not been laid down. The matter was under consideration at the present moment.—British Wireless Service.

OSCAR WILDE, M.S.

"DUCHESS OF PADUA" FOUND.

EXQUISITE HANDWRITING.

New York, Tuesday.

The long-sought manuscript of Oscar Wilde's play, "Duchess of Padua," which hitherto has been believed to be lost or destroyed, has just been discovered.

It consists of 266 pages in Oscar Wilde's exquisite handwriting. It was brought from England last week by Mr. Actor, the son of a Bloomsbury printer, and is now in the possession of the President of the Anderson Galleries.—Reuter's American Service.

KING OF IRAK.

VISIT TO PORTSMOUTH DOCKYARD.

Rugby, Yesterday.

King Feisal of Irak and his Prime Minister visited Portsmouth Dockyard to-day. They had a three-hours' trip to Spithead in submarine L22.—British Wireless Service.

A TAINTED BODY.

Seamen's Opinion of T. U. C.

REPLY TO ULTIMATUM.

Protection Of Moderate And Sensible Leaders.

London, Yesterday.

The annual conference of the National Union of Seamen unanimously approved of the Executive's reply to the T.U.C. ultimatum.

The reply states that the T. U. C. is a tainted body. It declares that the Union is only seeking to protect the moderate and sensible miners' leaders from dismissal. It will continue its policy until it has the T. U. C.'s assurance that the moderates will have full protection in the Congress and in the House of Commons.—Reuter.

[Reuter cabled on October 26:—The General Council of the Trades Union Congress has approved the report of the dispute committee which investigated a complaint by the Miners' Federation against the Seamen's Union of "acting disloyally" in connection with assistance to the non-political miners' Union. It is understood the Committee recommended that the Seamen's Union be given 14 days to disclaim their intention to support non-political unions otherwise steps will be taken to sever the connection of the Seamen's Union with the T. U. C.]

KING ALFONSO.

TO ATTEND WEDDING OF PRINCESS ANNE.

Naples, Nov. 3.

King Alfonso, of Spain, arrived here to-day aboard a Spanish cruiser to attend the wedding of Princess Anne, of France, and the Duke of Apulia. The king appeared to have completely recovered from his recent fall from a horse. He presented Princess Anne with a huge cluster of white roses.—Associated Press.

BISHOP OF NAGASAKI

RECEPTIONS IN PARIS IN HIS HONOUR.

Paris, Nov. 9.

The French Society of the Friends of Missions is arranging receptions in honour of Mr. Hayasaka, Bishop of Nagasaki, who is due to arrive in Paris on the 27th inst.—Havas.

AFTER 12 YEARS.

LOCAL SOLICITOR RETURNS TO PRACTICE.

MR. HODGSON WELCOMED.

After an absence from local practice of nearly twelve years, Mr. P. M. Hodgson appeared in the Summary Court this morning at the usual weekly case fixing hearings.

His Honour Mr. Justice Wood welcomed Mr. Hodgson back into local practice.

Mr. Hodgson, who joined the service of the Hong Kong Government as solicitor in 1907, was appointed Assistant Crown Solicitor in 1911 and acted as Acting Crown Solicitor in 1913. He left in 1915 to join the local solicitors' firm of Ewan and Harston and later he was associated with the Union Insurance Society of Canton, Ltd., as their legal adviser.

In more recent years, Mr. Hodgson has been associated with the Hong Kong Sharebrokers' Association, on which he held a seat and of which he was Secretary. He has recently gone into practice as a solicitor with Mr. S. W. Tso.

MISSING SINGLETS.

The manager of the Fah Kay Knitting Factory, Portland Street, Yaumati, has reported to the police that he yesterday entrusted 109 singlets worth $200 to a coolie to deliver to the Kwong Sang shop of Queen's Road Central. The singlets were not delivered, and the coolie is alleged to have absconded.

A coolie was yesterday taken to the Government Civil Hospital from the Hon San godown, West Point, suffering from injuries received through a bag of rice falling on him whilst he was at work in the godown.

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